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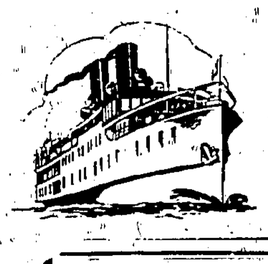

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STRENUOUS EFFORTS TO RELEASE THE GENERALISSIMO

Mr. Donald And Mr. Soong To Confer

Eye-witness Account Of Kidnapping: Chief Of Bodyguard Among The Fatalities

Nanking, Dec. 17.

It is gathered from authoritative quarters that the Central Control Committee meeting to-day will probably reach a decision to permanently expel Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang from membership of the Kuomintang.

An eye-witness account of the kidnapping of the Generalissimo shows that on entering his motor car on Saturday intending to go to Sianfu from Huachinchih, a nearby resort, the rebels surrounded the car. The Generalissimo's bodyguard formed a ring around their chief and resisted the rebels, surrendering only when their number was greatly reduced.

It is feared that Marshal Chiang might have been hit by a misdirected bullet. Chiang Hsiao-hsien, chief bodyguard, and Marshal Chiang's stenographer were among the fatalities.

A deputy commander of the 13th Division escaped to Sienyang, raising the alarm just in time, for three hours after his arrival the rebel troops under Chang Hsueh-liang launched an attack on Sienyang.—
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ONE HOSTAGE FREE

Nanking, Dec. 17.

An official message states that Chiang Ting-wen, Pacification Commissioner of Fukien, has telegraphed to General Ho Ying-chin from Sianfu stating that he has been released.

The message adds that he is flying to Nanking with a personal letter from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

MR. SOONG IN NANKING

Mr. Soong has arrived in Nanking. It is learned that Mr. W. H. Donald, adviser to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, will return to Loyang this evening after a second trip to Sianfu and hopes to meet Mr. Soong there to confirm measures to secure the release of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.—
Reuter.

CHIANG KAI SHEK

JOINT DISCUSSION

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

Mr. Donald returned to Loyang and from there he left for Sianfu by air last evening. It is expected that he will return to Loyang to-day.

Meanwhile, Mr. T. V. Soong has arrived in Nanking and after conferring with Government officials he may proceed to Sianfu in an endeavour to mediate for a settlement of the dispute.

Mr. Soong is expected to confer with Mr. Donald at Loyang this evening when he will fully discuss the situation.—
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BISHOP R.O. HALL

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The Bishop of Hong Kong is expected to arrive on Saturday the 19th. He is travelling on s.s. "Peiping" (Swedish East Asiatic Co.) with Mrs. Hall and their children.

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HOME RUGGER

London, Dec. 17.

Dublin Wanderers were beaten by Oxford University in their rugger match to-day. Oxford scored 16 points to 6.—
Reuter.

CARNIVAL DANCE

Members of St. Andrew's Club held a most successful Carnival Dance last night at the Church Hall at 9 p.m. Throughout the whole of the evening the large attendance made good use of this pleasant evening and enjoyed themselves immensely.

The Dance was added to its merits by a few delightful items given by the senior pupils of Miss Violet Capell which earned much deserved praise.

F.A. CUP MATCHES

London, Dec. 17.

In the F.A. Cup second round postponed match, Walthamstow beat Exeter by two goals to three.

In the second round replay, Yeovil lost to Walsall by the only goal of the match.—
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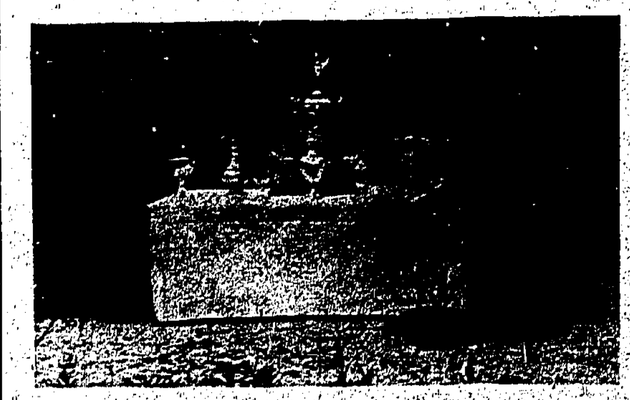
Mess Plate



The R.W.F. Officers' Mess Plate photographed at the Kwanti Gymkhana.

SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

Government And Problem Of Malnutrition

ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY

Presentation Made To Mr. T.M. Hazlerigg

Speaking at the seventh annual meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children held in the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, dealing with the nutrition question, said that as regards the pursuit of this particular problem of malnutrition Government will have the backing not only of the Society but of the Colonial Office and the League of Nations.

The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow (President) who was in the chair, gave a comprehensive review of the Society's steady progress and the work done since its inception in 1930. He expressed regret at the impending departure on retirement of Mr. T.M. Hazlerigg, who was one of the founders of the Society; was its first Honorary Director and had served on the Executive and General Committees since the very beginning.

On behalf of the Society, His Excellency the Governor made the presentation of a farewell gift to Mr. Hazlerigg.

With His Excellency on the dais were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow (President), Hon. Dr. R.H. Kotewall (Chairman of the Executive Committee), Mr. F.H. Loseby (Hon. Director), Lady Caldecott, Lady MacGregor, Mrs. C.G. Alabaster, Mrs. Mary Barker (Hon. General Secretary) and Mr. T.M. Hazlerigg.

Others present at the meeting were Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Mr. Justice Hayden, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Dr. S.W. Tso, Rev. H.W. Baines, Dr. R.A. de Castro Bastro, Dr. Li Shu Fan, Chev. J. M. Alves, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hicks, Messrs. Tang Shiu Kin, T. O. Tso, W. Schofield, L. D. Skinner, A. McKellar, G. P. de Martin, A. el Arculli, J. M. Noronha, and S. V. Boxer.

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NEGUS' ABLEST GENERAL

Ras Imru Captured By Italians.

Rome, Dec. 17.

According to a message from Addis Ababa, the Italians captured Ras Imru, leader of the Abyssinian resistance to Italian forces.

Ras Imru was regarded as the ablest general of the Emperor of Ethiopia. He established the Abyssinian headquarters at Gore after the flight of the Emperor and has been engaging the Italian outposts in guerilla warfare.—
Reuter.

SUBMARINE HIT BY TORPEDO

Only Three Members Of Crew Saved

Gibraltar, Dec. 17.

A British destroyer with refugees from Malaga arrived to-day and gave graphic details of the sinking of the Government submarine C3 outside Malaga last week.

It was stated that C3 was seen to be sinking after an explosion caused by a hit from a torpedo fired from an unknown direction.

Only three members of the crew were saved as the submarine sank quickly, giving no time for the rescue of the others, who went down with the vessel—
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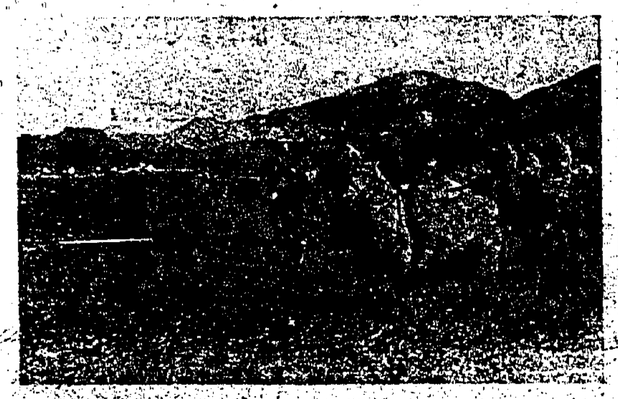
Gymkhana Competitors



Lining up for the Obstacle Race held by the R.W.F.

NEW WARNING ON RECRUITING

Minister's Fear That System Will Fail

"UNABLE TO GARRISON THE EMPIRE"

Mr. Duff Cooper, Secretary for War, recently gave a further warning of the danger of the failure of the system of Army recruiting, states the "Daily Telegraph."

Addressing a luncheon gathering in Leeds, he said: "There is no sign of any improvement in recruiting for the Regular Army. The numbers are steadily diminishing, and unless some great alteration takes place in the near future, in a year or two the system will break down.

"We shall no longer be able even to garrison our Empire—even supposing that the most complete peace prevails throughout the world.

"This is a serious problem. I am not yet in a position to tell you of proposals I have put forward, but I am convinced that the solution of the problem lies in making the Army a safe career for the man who joins it."

JOB FOR EVERY MAN

Mr. Duff Cooper said that his ambition was so to arrange things that before he left office they would be in a position to say to every man who joined the Army that they could guarantee him that when he left the Service with a good character he would go straight into a civilian job.

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WOMEN'S MEETING

About 40 members of the St. Andrew's Church Women's Fellowship gathered together yesterday and spent a pleasant afternoon at their weekly meeting which was held at 3 p.m. at the Church Hall.

Rev. Higgs gave a very interesting talk at the conclusion of the meeting on the subject "Christmas" which was greatly appreciated by all who were present.

MONGOL PUSH IMMINENT

Batteries Arrive At Shantu

Nanking, Dec. 17.

A big push by the Mongol irregulars on East Suiyuan is likely as there are considerable troop movements in Western Chahar, according to a report from General Yen Hsi-shan, Pacification Commissioner for Shansi and Suiyuan.

The eighth Mongol division under the command of Prince Teh together with several batteries of field guns and ten bombers arrived at Shantu in preparation for the coming offensive.

Enemy planes dropped twenty bombs on Hungkehertu on December 15, while scouting planes made reconnaisance flights. The casualties were not reported.

Motor lorries are bringing up rebel troops to Shantu. Vanguard of the Irregulars had skirmishes with Chinese forces yesterday near Hsinho, Eastern Suiyuan and were subsequently repelled.—
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(From Our Own Correspondent)

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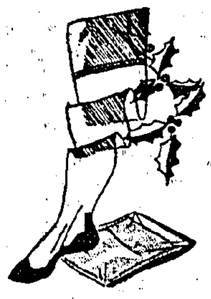
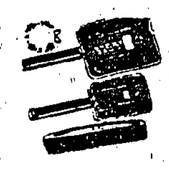
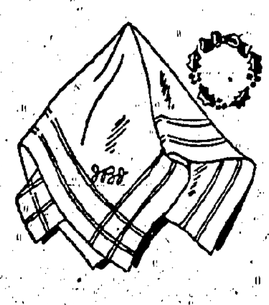
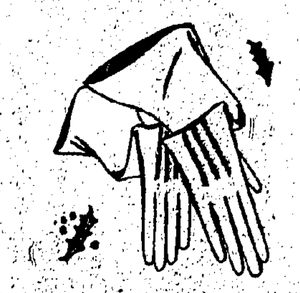
Rugs and cushions with zip-fastening pockets are always useful, either for train or motor travel, and a good rubber hot-water bottle rarely comes amiss in winter.









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LONDON FASHIONS

Bags And Gloves

Coloured handbags, which are carried with matching gloves, are no longer in the strong shades of last season. They are in soft French doeskin and in colours such as deep wine, dull green, soft grey blue, and dusty yellow. These colours harmonize rather than contrast with the costumes with which they are worn. The bags may be in the classic envelope shape with large practical gussets, or in a soft pouch with top opening and sturdy flat handles. A handbag of wine-coloured suede is hand-stitched and embroidered in self colour; the same stitching and embroidery appear on the cuffs of the gloves. Aubergine and ex-blood are other deep tones which are particularly suitable for heavier leathers for sports wear, and appear also in belts, shoes, and gloves. Patent leather bags are worn with dress trimmings of cire or patent leather belts. Strappings and insets of crocodile are seen in a practical type of bag in calf with squared base and firm handles and are repeated on calf walking shoes.

With all-black clothes the bag and shoes are generally in black antelope or suede, the coloured accessory note being kept for belts and scarves. Small brightly coloured velvet ties in yellow, red, or purple fasten the throats of flat fur coats and capes, velvet belt of the same colour trimming the simple black frock.

On brown furs worn with brown ensembles the colour note is purplish blue or a soft clear green. Gloves are also made to match hats. Persian lamb gloves with kid palms are made to be worn with small caps of lamb. Coloured velvet turbans have matching velvet gloves with suede palms. A jade clip on a black velvet toque matches the jade green suede hand-bag, and a black antelope bag has a lining of royal blue which matches the little velvet bonnet with which it is worn. For evening wear elbow-length gloves of gold lame accompany a small cap in the same material. A diminutive skull cap of black velvet is worn well back on the head, with long flowing fine-meshed veil. The sole trimming is a diamante clip, which appears again as a fastening on the velvet hand-bag. Evening shoes and handbags are elaborately designed and made in rich metals, fabrics, and brocades. New shoes show toe openings but have well covered fronts, cut moderately high. The heels are very high and the backs much opened. Lustrous satins are decorated with metal kids and trimmed with gold and bead embroidery.

Brocades in Chinese and Persian designs make soft pouches with *beautifully jewelled clasps or initials.* A black velvet bag has a gold frame massed with tiny seed pearls. Rhinestone and silver, in a massive roll, form the clasp on a silver brocade model in a deep satched shape. A flat evening vanity-box is of engine-turned gold or silver, with mirror in the lid and separated sections for cigarettes, powder, and cosmetics.

The large chiffon handkerchief has become an essential part of formal evening dress. Soft pastel tones are put with the deep jewel shades and a vivid colour only with black.

PARIS FASHIONS

Satin And Jewels

Evening dress may be very selective this season. Such dress designers as Alix have made that possible. Black Chantilly lace is worn over white mousseline de sole. The skirts are long, and swept the ground behind; the low-cut bodice fitted with long tight sleeves. Black velvet is used for another dress which had all the fullness of the skirt brought to the front. And there was a dress of navy-blue varnished satin, close fitting, and made with a Persian tunique curiously worked.

With such dresses it is permissible to wear a coiffure of feathers, velvet, or jewels. There are many of these coiffures: some are shaped as a wing and fit the head; others are turbans in velvet of two colours; jewelled coroned coronets, Greek filets, and flowers are also worn. The perfectly neat, unadorned head is also right. At a performance of M. Edouard Bourdet's play, "Eric Franc," one of the best-dressed women in the stalls had her hair short and very closely waved to the head, with no puffs or curls or fuss of any kind, and above the brow a short parting in the centre. Dresses of metal tissue are worn a good deal in the evening, especially for the short-skirted dance dresses which Molyneux makes. He puts a coloured cord about the waist or a big bunch of flowers at the waist or higher on the bodice and no belt.

Ardanse has some handsome formal dresses in white satin and in a blue that is almost grey. Her delicate lace dresses are in black, all of them simple in line but enriched by gorgeous diamond ornaments designed by Mauboussin. Jewels are imperative this year with formal evening dress. Figured satins are used by Schiaparelli in delicate silvery white with bright flowers interwoven. The style of these dresses in shepherdess fashion suggests the eighteenth century. Draped at the back, lifted in front, they have the grace of a Watteau picture.

Less picturesque, but very wearable, are some dresses which were shown by Heim. He uses metal cloth in silver and black, coloured velvet and satin. His bodices are all cut very low at the back and he trims them with gathers, flounces, and flowers. His furs range from the splendour of a silver fox wrap for the evening to the classical Persian lamb coat for the afternoon. His accessories are all tempting by their fitness for Christmas presents. There are delicious little bouquets arranged to wear on a fur collar or on the lapel of a jacket, knitted gloves are trimmed at the wrist with pompons, absurd little purses in crochet are held together with coloured rings, and there are gloves in lace and net for the evening. Then there are scarves, muffs, sweaters, bags and belts, and some unusual dress jewelry.

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Fashion PRE-VIEW

HOW TO DRESS AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTIES

New Wool Fabrics Worn In The Evening

(By the Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forster)

Of late years little difference has been noticed in the choice of frocks for those in the "teens" and those in the "thirties," except perhaps in the spring-time, when debutante dresses become rather exalted.

In the main, frocks for 18 to 30 for the Christmas festivities will be similar, and in many cases mother and daughter will exchange dinner gowns and wraps with impunity.

White is often not the best choice for the debutante. Dusky pink, soft blues and pale greens, with every variety of parchment and black, are launched successfully by either mothers or their daughters.

Metal and wool weaves are two factors in the fabric world. The best solution for success is to mix the two. A soft lacey wool in a faint green looked well placed over a shining silvery weave, a belt of silver kid with green wool flowers holding the simple lines of the clinging wool frock.

A dark-haired hostess has chosen a cloth of pale gold as a suitable underdress for a white wool fleecy tunic dusted with gold. The edge of the tunic and neckline are to be edged with tiny black satin leaves. Black satin shoes and gloves will be worn.

The softness of the new wool weaves for evening wear, and their light warmth, make a sure appeal for winter. In a measure, these warmer wool dresses can now and again give furs a rest. In these times everyone possesses a coatee, or cape, of tailored elegance that provides warmth and also transforms a fluffy evening garment into a practical demi-toilette.

Black still proves the best style of dressing. Even for the gay holiday season black will be the height of elegance.

The new coloured accessories relieve any suggestion of mournfulness. The coloured jewelled belt and bracelet and brilliant clusters of gay flowers in similar colours, for hair and corsage, are all popular.

Fanciful gloves and shoes can be even more fantastic when a streamline frock is in black crepe, satin or velvet. In fact, for the young and older woman a black ensemble is a sure standby. Ultra fluffy frocks in black tulle and cire lace are also becoming to certain types.

Many newer and real dancing frocks take in the wide range of accordion-pleated variety. Finely pleated chiffon or tulle-cire, cut in the regulation infanta style, are always successful for the real ball dress, and now that plainly tailored transparent coat can be added for cinema and cocktail party such a selection is by no means impractical. Again, with black or white accordion-pleated over-dresses a metal or coloured satin slip can also be used to provide change.

I must suggest that wool weaves for evening, specially in black and dark shades, do require more care in putting on and a certain poise to be successful than silk and velvet.

The prettiest model I have seen for a long time, and the most becoming, is a closely woven deep hem and bolero of black wool allied to a fine net with bands of exquisitely embroidered glittering sequins.

The corsage is simple, the sequins embroidering a shaped berthe and velvet waist-band. The little wool bolero has long sleeves and jetted links at wrist and waist. This is a perfect ensemble for dance or theatre, and I hear the designer intends to work out a similar model in tangerine shades for a dark, exotic beauty.

Black velvet will share its popularity this Chistmas with prune and wine shades. The latter are lifted successfully into a lighter category by long gloves in pale claret. Suede or crepe shoes also stress this latest colour scheme. Clusters of grape pick up the light and dark tone in a little cinema cap of the type that is worn so satisfactorily by the piquant type of girl.

Older women find that wide wings of gold or silver give a flattering finish to the semi-halo evening headdress that so well completes the perfectly moulded dress in black crepe or velvet.

AROUND THE SHOPS

Shops, fascinating at any time, are positively magnetic at this particular period of the year. These days of such brilliant window-dressing and showroom display it is really a liberal education to "do the round" of the shops.

Just a peep at some of the leading fashion and gift centres in the city will suffice to indicate how attractive are the displays upon which one can feast the eyes at any time during the day in a very pleasing and comfortable atmosphere.

Lane, Crawford's, for instance, have a superb selection of delightful Christmas gifts. Their range is remarkable, and they are priced to suit every purse. There are some lovely bags; a great variety in gloves and satchels. The famous Elizabeth Arden preparations are presented to the gaze in an alluring array; the "Week-end boxes" are a decidedly attractive feature.

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12.30 to 2.15 p.m.—European programme.
12.30 p.m.—Mantovani and his Tipica Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local: Time signal and weather report.
1.03 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).
1.16 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the piano.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press. Local: Weather forecast, time and announcements.
1.40 p.m.—A Concert.
2 p.m.—Debroy Somers Band.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—A Variety programme.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local stock quotations and Hong Kong exchange market report.
7.35 p.m.—Albert Sandler and his Orchestra.
8 p.m.—Local: Time signal, weather report and announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Richard Crooks (tenor), Stuart Robertson (bass-baritone) and Renee Chemet (Violin).
8.30 p.m.—London—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
9 p.m.—London—News and announcements.
9.20 p.m.—London: The Second Test Match: Australia v. England. An account of the Opening Day's Play, by Alan Kippax. From Sidney (Electrical Recording).
9.35 p.m.—A Classical programme.
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
10.30 p.m.—Military Band Music. With Ina Souez (Soprano).
11 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

1.05 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB (German, English). German Folk Song.
1.10 p.m.—Light Music.
2 p.m.—News in German.
2.15 p.m.—Light Music (continued).
2.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in Australia
3 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English.
3.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
3.30 p.m.—In the Enchantment of beautiful Voices.
4.45 p.m.—Chamber Music
5.30 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German.
5.45 p.m.—Commemoration to Ludwig Leichhardt.
6 p.m.—Topical Talk
6.15 p.m.—Sign off DJA and DJB (Germ., Engl.).
6.55 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJE (German, English). German Folk Song.
7 p.m.—Concert of Light Music
8 p.m.—News in English.
8.15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
8.55 p.m.—Greetings to our Listeners in the "Far East"
9 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German and Call DJQ.
9.15 p.m.—Hitler Youth Programme: BdM: "O Tannenbaum."
9.45 p.m.—Topical Talk.
10 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English on DJE, DJQ in Netherlandish on DJA, DJB.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
10.30 p.m.—Indigo and the 40 thieves. Opera by Johann Strauss.
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7 a.m.—Sign Off.
9.30 a.m.—Nielson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
11.15 a.m.—Sign Off.
2.30 p.m.—Nielson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
3.45 p.m.—Sign Off.
6 p.m.—Records.
6.15 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.35 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—Children's Christmas Programme, conducted by Mrs. Ruth Hoey.
7.25 p.m.—Question Box Reporter.
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7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia. presents Ernesto Vallejo, assisted by Julio Esteban Anguita.
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8.16 a.m.—A Recital of Scottish Songs.
8.30 a.m.—Australia v. England. An eye-witness account of the Second Cricket Test Match, from Sydney.
8.45 a.m.—Chamber Music.
9.25 a.m.—Light Programme.
9.40 a.m.—The News and Announcements.
10 a.m.—Close down.

PURSERS FOR AIR LINERS

Complexity Of Ship's Papers

A flight clerk, whose duties will be similar to those of a purser on board ship will be carried in the big Empire flying boats when they take over the operation of the mail routes next year. The clerk will have his own office in the flying-boat and it is hoped to make each boat a self-contained unit in the matter of ship's papers. This development was disclosed by Mr D. H. Handover, traffic manager of Imperial Airways, in the course of the Brancker memorial lecture which he delivered before the Institute of Transport recently.

Speaking of the amount of paper work which had to be done by the ground staff during the stay of perhaps 20 minutes at a port of call, he described the mass of documents which an air liner had to carry. It had to have a load sheet giving details of the total weight on board, a certificate showing the distribution of that weight in the various compartments, eight copies of the passenger list made out to comply with varying immigration requirements, manifests of all cargo with copies for transit and terminal Customs which might mean 150 to 200 sheets of paper, mail way-bills showing origin, weight, and destination of every bag, of which there were sometimes 400 to 500. Every consignment of freight must have a consignment note in sextuplicate, together with certified invoices and certificates of origin where necessary. There frequently had to be certificates of inoculation and vaccination for the passengers.

It was hoped that the flight clerk would relieve the traffic staff on land of a good deal of onerous work and responsibility. The magnitude of the carrying task which would fall on Imperial Airways next year when all Empire mails would go by air might be judged from the estimate that it would represent 16,500,000 ton-miles a year. The amount of mail leaving England by air each week would be about 20 tons, or nearly 2,000,000 letters. The increase in mail would involve a readjustment of space in aircraft as between mail, passengers, and freight. Whereas at present passengers generally outweighed mail and freight, the weight of mail would in future be greater than that of the other two.

PORTUGAL'S NO. 2 STATESMAN

The appointment of Dr. Armindo Monteiro, the Portuguese Foreign Minister, to be Ambassador in London suggests that Portugal at this moment attaches even more importance than usual to preserving intact the long traditional friendship between the two countries.

On matters connected with the Spanish Civil War the British and Portuguese Cabinets have not always seen eye to eye.

Dr. Monteiro is probably his country's second most outstanding man—second only to Dr. Salazar, the brilliant and unassuming dictator.

Many people in Portugal think him the only man capable of succeeding Dr. Salazar, who is eight years older.

While Dr. Salazar has been reforming and reorganising Portugal during the last few years, Dr. Monteiro has been doing the same thing for the big Portuguese Empire overseas.

NAZI DEATH PENALTY

The Smuggling Of Property Abroad

ASTONISHING LAW

Recently the German Cabinet held a meeting at which a series of new laws were passed, including an astonishing "law against economic sabotage" punishing with the death penalty any German sending his fortune abroad or retaining it here and another incorporating all German boys and girls in the Hitler Youth, states a Home paper

General Göring, as director of the four-year plan, brought forward the law against economic sabotage. It provides that any German national who through desire for profit or other base motive infringes the legal provisions and smuggles his property abroad, or retains it abroad, and thereby gravely harms the German economy, will be punished by death and his property confiscated. Those who commit the same offences abroad are punishable in the same way. They will be sent before the People's Tribunal.

ONE YOUTH ORGANISATION

The law for a single unified youth organisation ends the Catholic and Protestant youth formations, which though much weakened by the State's pressure on their members continued their existence nevertheless. The Catholic Church had put up a stronger fight for its youth organisations than the Protestant Evangelical Church.

The measure was foreshadowed as long ago as January of this year by Herr Baldur von Shirach, who now becomes, as the head of the Hitler Youth, the head of the entire unified youth organisations of Germany. He is given the post of supreme Reich official immediately under Herr Hitler.

HITLER YOUTH LAW

The communiqué issued by the German News Agency on the new youth law states:—

The future of the German nation depends upon its youth. The entire German youth must therefore be prepared for its future obligations. The Reich Government, therefore announces the following law:—

(1) The entire German youth within the Reich territory is comprised within the Hitler Youth.

(2) Apart from in the home and in the school the entire German youth is to be educated bodily, spiritually, and morally in the service of National Socialism for service to the nation and for the people's community.

SCOTLAND FOR THE SCOTS

The committee set up by Mr. Walter Elliot to inquire into Scottish administration is one of exceptional strength. It contains a former Secretary for Scotland, a former Lord Privy Seal (Labour), a former Lord Advocate, an Under-Secretary of the Treasury and the former secretary to the Geddes "Axe" Committee.

The task before this commanding body, hazily stated in its terms of reference, arises from the decision to transfer Scottish administrative work as far as possible from Whitehall, London, to the Calton Hill, Edinburgh.

What nature and size of organisation must be left in London to deal with the Scottish Parliamentary business? What will be the future relations between Edinburgh and the Secretary for Scotland's staff in London?

MORE CIVIL SERVANTS

It is not expected that the proportion of the Scottish Office staff in London will shrink to the point where Dover House becomes too large for it. For the truth is that, although the Secretary for Scotland is Home Secretary and Minister of Health, Education, Agriculture and Fisheries for the northern kingdom, his own office, the Scottish Office, is at present effectively organised only as a Home Office.

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"PADDY O'DAY"

It's a bundle of fun, express from Ireland, that brings Jane Withers back to the screen again as the leading player of the new Fox joy picture, "Paddy O'Day," which is now at the Star Theatre.

Singing, dancing, playing and encountering the most thrilling adventures in her film career, little Jane enacts the role of a cunning colleen, fresh from Erin who seeks a home in Manhattan.

The supporting cast of the new picture is strong in celebrities, including Pinky Tomlin, composer of the song hits, "The Object of My Affection" and "What's the Reason"; Rita Cansino, talented dancer who made her film debut in "Dante's Inferno"; Jane Darwell and George Givot, radio's Greek ambassador.

A staff of four song writers provided a trio of new tunes for "Paddy O'Day," chief of which is a saucy Irish song, entitled "Keep That Twinkle in Your Eye," sung by Jane.

The new picture was directed by Lewis Seiler and produced under the supervision of Sol M. Wurtzel.

A news item mentions a Spanish rebel general who has gone to Italy for his health. Leaving Spain just now would benefit any general's health.

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It appears that there is a shortage of football referees. Let us hope it is due to fair wear and tear only.

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That American writer who declares that we are now a nation of optimists overlooks the fact that thousands of us still carry automatic cigarette lighters.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"Earthworm Tractors"
QUEEN'S:—
"Flash Gordon"
ORIENTAL:—
"The Ghost Goes West"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Three Cheers For Love"
MAJESTIC:—
"The New Adventure Of Tarzan"
STAR:—
"Paddy O'Day"

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KING'S:—
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ALHAMBRA:—
"Two In A Crowd"
STAR:—
"The Princess Comes Across"
MAJESTIC:—
"The New Adventures Of Tarzan" (Final Chapter).

"TARZAN"

Cut two or three dozen bamboo poles, plant half of them in the ground for wall frames, and use the rest for rafters. Then cover the rafters with palm leaves or banana stalks and add a curtain of gaily colored cloth for a door. That's the recipe for building a native hut in Guatemala, write members of The New Adventures of Trazan Company, who spent four months in Guatemala.

It would not have been necessary for the Tarzan people to consider such primitive quarters—their "natural sets" had always been near some town or village equipped with a hotel or at least a picturesque inn—but things were different. Leaving civilization far behind, they had to embark, bag and baggage, on a big barge, and float down the Rio Dulce, through the heart of the jungle, making inland trips whenever necessary.

True, life on the barge was comfortable enough—it being much like a small hotel with its sleeping quarters and dining and cooking arrangements. On the trips inland however, it was more than once necessary to resort to hastily built native huts, especially during the making of night scenes. On these occasions Indian porters were sent on ahead to clear space and build such temporary shelter as was necessary.

With the exception of animal scares at night, a few snakes in the day and ticks, centipedes and mosquitos at all hours, the Company suffered little inconvenience from the live creatures of the jungle—but the animals and reptiles on the barge are another story.

"The New Adventures of Tarzan" will open at the Majestic Theatre to-day.

"FLASH GORDON"

Settings so fantastic that they startle the imagination form the background for the Universal film offering, "Flash Gordon," which is showing to-day at the Queen's Theatre, with Buster Crabbe in the title role.

All the fascination of the mythical planet of Mongo, created by Alex Raymond in his newspaper strip, is emphasised in this new production, which Frederick Stephani directed. Jean Rogers, Charles Middleton and Briscilla Lawson have important roles.

A city suspended in the sky, a kingdom held below the sea, a rocket ship that shoots through space and rays that melt huge steel structures provided technical problems for the studio experts.

Strange costumes and weird make-up, which produce realistic shark-men, hawk-men and lion-men were evolved after weeks of planning and experiment. On the screen the result is both awe inspiring and grotesque.

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Be sure to see "Flash Gordon," Universal's sensational screen play.

FILM NOTES

Pinewood Studios

An important development in the British film industry is the opening of imposing new studios at Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire. The official ceremony was performed by Dr. Burgin, Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade, recently. The Pinewood Studios, as they are called, form the new home of British and Dominions Film Corporation, Ltd., and Herbert Wilcox Productions, Ltd., and it is intended that accommodation there shall be available on lease to other production companies when required.

Pinewood is the most up-to-date studio in England and is unique in its combination of country scenery and efficient modern plant. The property covers a hundred acres and includes a residential country club with sixteen acres of grounds.

Eight stages of varying sizes are provided for, of which the largest are as extensive as 165 feet by 110 feet. These stages introduce to British producers a number of interesting innovations such as the first installation of an overhead lighting system which, by means of a number of overhead runways and galleries, obviates the usual tangle of flexible cabling on the floor. A new sound proofing material is employed for the walls and the flooring is also sound proof, even against footsteps. Portable remote control desks electrically operate cameras and recording apparatus, lock entrances and exits, and number and synchronize scenes.

The sound recording is Western Electric Wide Range and is the first all-mains equipment to be installed in Europe. The sound department also has two large and comfortable review theatres for producers to view their work. A most original addition is two private theatres for the editing staff only and these are placed conveniently near to the 25 cutting rooms. The dressing rooms include accommodation for 1,500 extras and a public restaurant is provided which seats 500 people. There is also a power house which can provide all electrical and heating needs and artesian wells have been constructed which furnish 12,000 gallons of water an hour.

Herbert Wilcox Productions, Ltd., have transferred from Elstree to the new studios at Pinewood, the shooting of scenes for "London Melody," the current production of the company in which it presents Anna Neagle and Tullio Carminati. This film inaugurates Herbert Wilcox's ambitious million pound programme which includes, besides "London Melody," a new Sydney Howard comedy entitled "Splinters in the Air" and also "The Navy Eternal."

The last named film, in the production of which the Admiralty and Navy League have co-operated, will include a spectacular naval battle staged off Weymouth which will be the base for the shooting of these scenes. Valuable material has also been secured during the manoeuvres of the Home Fleet off Scapa Flow and when the exterior scenes are completed at Weymouth, the unit will return to the new Pinewood Studios to finish the film. The cast includes Richard Cromwell, who scored a big hit in "Bengal Lancer," and H. B. Warner.

The first British and Dominion picture to be produced at the new Pinewood Studio will be "A Man with your Voice" in which Ricardo Cortez and Sally Eilers will appear.

THE BABY CARRIAGE

French journalists, whose temperament and calling alike tend to induce them to turn any tragedy into a good story, are telling this:—

Hans was a poor German peasant who needed a baby carriage in his home. He was too poor to buy one but a friend named Fritz worked in a neighboring factory devoted to the production of baby carriages and their parts and he knew many of these parts were discarded as slightly defective. So he asked Fritz if he could not bring successively out of the factory enough of these discarded parts to make a baby carriage.

Fritz readily agreed and delivered the parts—wheels, pieces of tubing, handle, axle, etc., in turn. A few days later he asked Hans how the baby carriage was working. "It isn't working" said Hans. "I don't understand it. I put it together three times just as you said and every time what I get is a machine gun."

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Ember Day. Expectation of Our Lady.

Auctions.—Crown Lands, at District Office, South, Hong Kong, 11 a.m.

Cinemas.

King's :—"Earthworm Tractors."
Queen's :—"Flash Gordon."
Central :—"Captain Blood."
Oriental :—"The Ghost Goes West."
World :—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra :—"Three Cheers For Love."
Majestic :—"The New Adventures Of Tarzan."
Star :—"Paddy O'Day."

Dances : — R. A. M. C. Association, Carnival Dance, at Hotel Cecil, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments.—"Maid of the Mountains," at Queen's Theatre, 9.15 p.m., French Convent School Operetta, "The Wishing Cap," at Causeway Bay, 5.00 p.m.

Lectures.—Helena May Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.

Meetings.—Annual, of Asia Lands Ltd., in Mercantile Bank Building 2.30 p.m.

Social.—Cheero Club Duplicate Contract Bridge, 8.00 p.m.

Sports.

Badminton.—Mixed Doubles League : Free Lancers v. Recreio "B"; St. John's v. Recreio "A".

Billiards.—McEwan—Younger League, Garrison Sergeants v. R.A.M.C.; Hong Kong Sc. Bde. v. Royal Artillery (L); Royal Welsh Fusiliers v. R.A.H.Q.; R.U.R. v. R.N.Y.P.

Moon.—XI Moon, 5th. Day.
Sunrise.—6.57 a.m. Sunset.—5.42 p.m.
Tides.—High at 13.12 and 23.30; Low at 6.31 16.51.

"THREE CHEERS FOR LOVE"

Paramount's high-stepping, melodic musical, "Three Cheers for Love," is showing to-day at the Alhambra Theatre.

Lining up an array of talent unmatched in many months, "Three Cheers for Love" has everything the perfect tune-film needs. Dance teams are exceptional; the chain-lightning feet of Eleanore Whitney are matched with Robert Cummings, masculine lead, and the phenomenal steps of Olympe Bradna, new French dance sensation, are matched by those of Louis DaPron, himself no sluggard for tap-speed.

Music of "Three Cheers for Love" includes the three hit songs "Where Is My Heart," "Long Ago and Far Away," and "The Swing Tap." Chorus numbers, including a novel and intricate fencing dance, are smoothly executed.

The picture has a light, fun-filled plot, which moves almost as rapidly as Miss Whitney's feet. The girl appears as a Hollywood youngster, daughter of a picture magnate, who is sent to a supposed "finishing school" by her stepmother.

The school, it develops, has a student body of chorines and a faculty of vaudeville actors, all of them intent on using Miss Whitney as a means of crashing into the movies. One of the troupers is Cummings.

Romance sets in as Cummings tries to persuade Eleanore to take part in a school show to which her father is to be invited.

Memers of the skilled supporting cast include William Frawley and Roscoe Karns, who provide plenty of laughs; John Halliday, Elizabeth Patterson, Grace Bradley, Veda Ann Bora and Billy Lee.

"EARTHWORM TRACTORS"

Never has Joe E. Brown been funnier personally than in his latest comedy, "Earthworm Tractors," which is showing to-day at the King's Theatre for the first time locally. Nor has he ever had a more hilarious vehicle in which to display his comic antics than in this picture which is taken from the series of comedy stories written for the "Saturday Evening Post" by William Hazlett Upson.

Probably no other comedian of stage or screen could have come so close to being the personification of Alexander Botts, natural-born supersalesman, is his own mind, whose luck is so phenomenal that even his consistent and colossal blunders turn out to his advantage.

Joe E. Brown makes Alexander Botts, one of the most comical heroes of fiction, live and breathe on the screen as Joe has lost none of his vim and pep as the greatest fun maker of the time.

Joe E.'s two leading women merit special comment. They are June Travis and Carol Hughes, both of the brunette beauty type. The latter ditches him, and marries his rival the minute Joe leaves town, much to her regret when Joe eventually makes good, while her husband turns out to be just a false alarm. The former also turns up her nose at Joe when she nears of the first love episode. But Joe finally gets his gal through another series of hilarious blunders.

Both girls show remarkable talent in their roles in this picture, although neither has had a long screen experience. Miss Travis went directly into pictures at First National after a screen test. Miss Hughes, however, had been doing a singing and dancing act on the stage when picked up by First National scouts.

There is a talented supporting cast with Guy Kibbee giving a hilarious performance as a cantankerous and partially deaf old man to whom Joe tries for long in vain to sell tractors.

Dick Foran is excellent in his role as the successful rival of Joe in love, playing his part straight and acting as a foil to Joe's antics. Gene Lockhart, the famous stage comedian, gives a good account of himself as the rival salesman of Joe E., in the tractor field, as also does Olin Howard as the father of Joe's first love.

Others worthy of special mention include Joseph Crehan, Sara Edwards, Charles Wilson, William Davidson, Irving Bacon and Stuart Holmes.

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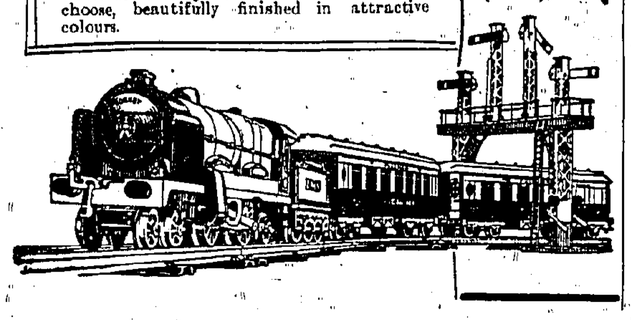

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FOUND GUILTY OF PICKING POCKET

Detective Accused Of Threatening

Ng Wan, 19, was sentenced to three months' hard labour at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon by Mr. W. Schofield, for the attempted larceny of a purse from Lam Yu Tat at the World Theatre on December 2.

Mr. Peter Sin appeared for the defendant and Sergeant Cashman prosecuted.

Outlinging the facts of the case, it was learned that Lai Chan Ling, a Chinese detective was on duty at World Theatre. Lai said that he saw the defendant looking at peoples pockets around the theatre, and later he noticed the defendant running away from the crowd with the complainant chasing him.

"I arrested the accused and brought him to the police station where he admitted that he attempted to steal."

Ling Sui Yu, interpreter of the Central Police Station, read the defendant's satement when arrested, which stated: "I have nothing to say. I wished to steal the complainant's purse."

The defendant alias Chan Chong Wah said that he went to the theatre to see a show and to get some booklets for his brother.

"When I bought my ticket for the show I walked across the road and the detective then seized me and accused me of attempting to steal a purse. He searched me and found nothing. I met a friend of mine on the way to the police station and I told him to tell my uncle that I was arrested. While we approached the police station the detective took out a purse from his own pocket, which he later told the Sergeant was mine.

I had to admit that I attempted stealing for they looked at me with fearful eyes. The detective even struck me."

Chan Hong, whom the defendant met on the way to the station also stated that the detective did strike him.

Wai Kai, the defendant's uncle told the court that the boy left school only a year ago and that he would not do such a thing. He also added that the defendant's father is quite wealthy and he sends money to him to give to Ng when ever he wants any.

His Worship: I find you guilty.

The defendant was sentence to three months' hard labour from the first date he was charged, which was December 4.

TOBACCO SMUGGLER CAUGHT

Magistrate Disbelieves Story

Kwok Choi, 51, unemployed, was brought before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday for possession of dutiable tobacco at Western Market Pier on December 16.

Revenue Officer Ward said that the defendant was searched and found the tobacco strapped round his legs. Defendant had a quilt with him in which some tobacco was also tucked.

Defendant: I am innocent of it, my friend gave me the quilt and I did not know of the tobacco.

His Worship: What about the tobacco strapped to your leg?—Those were the ones that my friend told me to keep for him and I did!

His Worship: Do you think I believe that?—(Defendant smiles).

A fine of $40 or six weeks imprisonment was imposed on the defendant.

THEFT OF TOBACCO

Lam Chiu, 24, cook-boy of the Sing Lam Tobacco Shop of 545 Shanghai Street, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment or a $10 fine by Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for stealing 27 pounds of Chinese tobacco and 13 catties of nut-oil from the shop.

Sub-Inspector Rogers said that defendant was seen walking out of the shop with a small quantity of tobacco by one of the fokis who went to tell his master.

The police was informed, and the defendant was arrested later, and a small quantity of the stolen tobacco valued at $40 was found in his lodging. Defendant admitted that he had been stealing small quantities of tobacco at various times.

HEROIN OWNERS WARNED BY CHIEF JUSTICE

WIDOWS SENTENCED

Sentences of two and a half years' hard labour each were passed on two widows by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday morning, on charges of unlawful possession of heroin pills.

To Cheung Kat, 58, who pleaded guilty to possession of 84,671 heroin pills found by Revenue officers at 182 Queen's Road East on November 9, the Chief Justice said: "There is not the slightest excuse for anyone who has been a fortnight in this Colony not to know the attitude of the Government and this Court have long adopted towards this dreadful trade. I see from the statement you made before the Magistrate that you asked for leniency, firstly because you did not know the feeling in this Colony towards the trade of heroin pills, and secondly because of your age. I take this opportunity of repeating most emphatically that neither sex nor age is going to be taken into consideration by me in the efforts I am taking in stamping out this traffic."

In the second case, Chan Nui, 26, was similarly sentenced for having 37,116 heroin pills in her possession, at 20, Canal Road, West.

AXE-WIELDER BOUND OVER

Quarrel Over $1 Leads To Gaol

Mak Man, 30, a carpenter was brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon for assauling Mak Chung Hing, a salesman of Lockhart Road on December 16.

Inspector Logan said the defendant was arrested whilst chasing the complainant with an axe. It was alleged that the complainant promised to pay the defendant $1 for putting up a sign board but received only 50 cents. They both then quarrelled and Mak Man was actually seen by the district watchman chasing Mak Chung with an axe.

Inspector Logan asked his Worship to take a serious view of the case. His Worship: Chasing a man with an axe is undoubtedly an assault. Defendant, I think you must sign a bond of $75 to keep the peace for a year.

WOMAN ROBBED

Refusal To Subscribe To Defendant's Birthday

Chan Ming, 35, and Fu Fuk alias Fu Yuen were charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with robbery committed on November 28.

Sub Inspecter R. Cunningham asked his Worship to remand the charge to simple larceny; and in his evidence he said that on that date defendants and one not in custody went into 9, Yunnan Lane (Lui Pui Ming' house,) and asked her to subscribe money for Koon Yum's birthday. She refused them, and so one of them took the clock and the other two snatched from her one gold ring, one wrist watch, and one pair of earrings and ran away. Complainant then gave chase and shouted "snatching" but the three made good their escape. She then reported the incident to the police who on December 2 arrested the first defendant in an opium divan, and the second defendant was arrested three days later.

First defendant denied the charge and pleaded ignorance. Second defendant was found guilty of the charge and was sentenced to serve a term of six months.

None of the stolen article were discovered except the clock that could not be identified by the complainant.

FINED FOR POSSESSION OF LOTTERY TICKETS

Chan Yuen, 18, unemployed, was brought before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday for the possession of 37 Hong Kong "po-piu" tickets without a licence at Queen's Road, near defendant's residence, 152, Hennessy Road, first floor, on December 16.

Sub-Inspector Hourihan prosecuted and the defendant was fined $25 and the tickets were ordered to be destroyed.

MAN SNATCHES BANGLE FROM CHILD

To Be Examined For Thrashing

Wong Chan, 17, unemployed, was brought before Mr W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon for the larceny of a gold bangle from a child.

Inspector Logan said that on December 16, plaintiff, Ko Tai, 45, the mother of the child who resided at 145 O'Brien Road, was carrying the child on her back when the accused came behind her and snatched the gold bangle off the child's wrist.

Complainant also stated that she saw the defendant run and pass the bangle to another man.

Constable C350, who was near the scene, heard people shouting and the police whistle being blown, ran and caught the defendant. The gold bangle was worth $10.

On answering the charges, defendant admitted the theft.

The case was remanded till Saturday in order to have the accused examined by a doctor, before sentence of a thrashing would be passed.

ALLEGED HOUSE-BREAKING

Mak Hung, 21, unemployed, was brought before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday on two charges.

They were: (A) Breaking into a house to steal three pocket watches, a table clock and three and half yards of blue suiting from Lammert's Auction Rooms; (B) Receiving stolen property.

When questioned in the Court accused denied both charges.

Defendant: I am innocent. I brought them from Singapore with me when I came here.

Sergeant Cashman's request for a remand of 48 hours with the defendant in police custody was granted.

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PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow (President) addressing the meeting said:—

It is my privilege to welcome your Excellency and Lady Caldecott and to thank you, on behalf of the Society, for honouring us by your presence. (Applause).

In 1930 the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Lord Passfield, suggested to Sir Cecil Clementi, the then Governor of Hong Kong, the founding of a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Sir Cecil Clementi acted on the suggestion with enthusiasm and a few of us got together for this purpose. We were fortunate in being able to secure the interest of Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg who had already had considerable experience of such work

One of our earliest decisions was to adopt a name which was more in keeping with the work done by societies of this nature, and the appropriate name "The Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children" was chosen.

GOVERNMENT INTEREST

The Society has been fortunate in securing the interest of the successive occupants of Government House. Sir Cecil Clementi retained his interest in our work even after he had left Hong Kong. Sir William Peel, when in the Colony attended our annual meetings and he and Lady Peel were always anxious to further any objects that might benefit the children of the Colony. You, Sir, when you arrived in Hong Kong, gave the clearest indication of your interest in all social activities, and one of your earliest acts was to consent to become patron of this Society. (Applause).

As President of the Society during the whole of its life, I can say that we have been extraordinarily well served by an active and enthusiastic Executive Committee. Their work on behalf of children is not confined only to their services (great though there are) to this Society.

The active work of the Society has attracted many ladies, as well as members of the professions and business men. Some record of our work is contained in our annual reports but, of necessity, much is unrecorded.

WELFARE CENTRES

Until 1930 there had been no organised attempt to deal with the general needs of children in Hong Kong. To-day, to mention a little only, of the work done for children, the Government conduct, exceedingly well-equipped and ably managed infant welfare centres. The Society has three branches and four whole time Inspectors. St. John's Ambulance Brigade has a children's ward in their hospital at Cheung Chau. The Chinese sisters of the Precious Blood Convent run a children's hospital and clinic at Shamshuipo. The Government has promised to start a children's hospital when funds are available. Above all, the needs of our children are always kept before the public.

WELL SPENT YEARS

I think we can look back on several well spent years, and can say that we have laid a foundation stone on which the Society can, in the future, build with every assurance that its foundations are well and truly laid. In saying this, as the President of the Society, I claim that we have achieved no more than a beginning only, and a bare beginning of the work that is to be done for our children.

MR. T. M. HAZLERIGG

I have already briefly referred to Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg. Mr. Hazlerigg will in about a month's time leave Hong Kong on retirement. The General and Executive Committees of the Society have availed themselves of this meeting to make a small presentation to him as a mark of their high esteem and regard as well as their deep appreciation of what he has done for the Society. (Applause). The gift is in the form of a bound volume of the annual reports of the Society which, I must say, is all that Mr. Hazlerigg is willing to accept, and which it will be my pleasure presently to ask your Excellency to present to him.

ONE OF FOUNDERS

It is impossible to exaggerate the service which Mr. Hazlerigg has rendered to the Society in particular, and to the children of the Colony in general. (Applause). He is one of its founders, was its first Honorary Director, and has served on the Executive Committee and General Committee from the very beginning. (Applause). I would be stating a plain fact when I say that he has done more for the Society and for the general welfare of the children in Hong Kong than anyone else. (Applause). To him this self-imposed work has been a labour of love.

When he was undertaking the onerous duties of Honorary Secretary and Honorary Director, he often put in a full day's work for the Government and at the same time almost another day's work for the Society out of office hours. His burning zeal for improving the lot of the poor children, and his great pity for them and for their struggling mothers have converted many people who were at first apathetic or even unsympathetic, into enthusiastic fellow-workers for the cause. His splendid work has been so highly appreciated by the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children in England that they have made him a member of their Council. While we in Hong Kong shall soon miss his co-operation and guidance, his work will live after him and will ever be a source of inspiration to us all and to generations to come. (Applause).

GOVERNOR'S SPEECH

H.E. the Governor said:—

I am very grateful for the President's kind words of welcome; in reply I can only say that there is no gathering which my wife and I could attend with greater pleasure, sympathy and interest than the annual meeting of this Society for the Protection of Children. The world of to-day seems to have run amuck and we hardly dare open our newspapers. I suggest however that as Christmas approaches we focus our attention more on what we have cause to be thankful for than on what we need to be fearful for. Let us for example remember that never before in the history of mankind has the claim of the child on the Community received such universal recognition. Let us be thankful for this and for the men and women who have brought it about, not forgetting the great name of Charles Dickens who more than any other single person, I think, awakened the British conscience in the matter. But you will say, precept is precept and practice is practice, and if society has at last got its thoughts right and straight about children, what about its acts?

Well, that is where this society (and other Societies like it) come in, as after reading our annual report you will all realize, there is no possible getting out. On the contrary we shall go on getting in, deeper and deeper, for nobody who directs his steps into the forest of problems that surround children will ever come out of the wood.

NUTRITION

A new avenue in the forest, for instance, has just been opened up by this Nutrition question, and a newspaper has exhorted this Society to bring pressure on Government to explore it. Hear, hear! I like pressure. Some people, I am afraid, talk of Colonial Governments yielding to pressure as though they were inanimate lumps of dough or sacks of sand. That is, I submit, quite wrong phraseology. A Colonial Government, is thank goodness, often energized by the pressure of well-informed and well-considered public opinion and I can conceive of no more welcome or more healthy stimulus; to such pressure it will not yield, a purely passive reflex, but respond and react—words which connote cooperative and progressive acceptance. And as regards its pursuit of this particular problem of malnutrition Government will have the backing, or the pressure if you prefer that term, not only of this Society but of the Colonial Office and the League of Nations. Only yesterday I received a long despatch from the Secretary of State on the subject with some very interesting enclosures.

BUDGET DISAPPOINTMENT

There are other points brought forward in this Society's annual report, and in press comments on it in which Governmental action is suggested in other directions. It has been a great regret and disappointment to me that my first Budget in this Colony has been dictated by a still present, though I hope lessening, depression and by obscurity, rather than security, of future outlook. We are in fact only just holding our trenches and are quite unable to sound the advance. I am nevertheless bold to hope that things will improve and that, when they do, those who press for an extension of public social services will back me in pressing also for the extra taxation necessary to finance them.

As the President has told you our agenda this afternoon unfortunately includes a farewell presentation. During the past year I have heard much, read much and seen much of local social service. The little leaven that leaveneth the lump is never in itself a very noticeable constituent; it silently permeates and activates the whole without any display or even perhaps disclosure of individuality. Now I am quite certain from what I have heard, read and seen that I am not wrong in likening Mr. Hazlerigg to the little leaven, and that his has been the basic energizing influence and agency in this and many other philanthropic enterprises in Hong Kong. (Applause). I know that he loathes publicity of any sort and that he may feel embarrased by our references to him this afternoon. Nevertheless as Patron of this Society and Governor of this Colony I must and I do publicly thank him for services which will not only live long in our personal memories but have a permanent monument in the betterment of conditions for the children of Hong Kong. (Applause).

Lastly I desire to thank all who have worked for, and all who have given to, this Society during the past year. When Christmas comes let us all have ears to hear, and so listen to the call of the Master across the centuries:—

"Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, he shall in no wise lose his reward." (Applause).

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SOUNDING OF RETREAT

By Royal Ulster Rifles

Yesterday evening the 1st Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles held their monthly Retreat Parade at Murray Barracks Parade Ground, commencing at 5.15 p.m. A very large crowd of spectators turned out to watch this interesting display which has become so popular on the Island and one and all went away fully satisfied with what they had seen and heard.

The 1st Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles has been abroad since September, 1932 and, since that date, the sounding of Retreat has been faithfully carried out in every station in which they have been garrisoned. First of all in Cairo, then in the Holy City of Jerusalem, followed by Alexandria and now they have been in the Crown Colony of Hong Kong for practically a year.

It is of interest to note that this Regiment was at one time called "The Royal Irish Rifles", but the name was changed in 1921 to that of Ulster Rifles. Since the year 1812, they have had the "Irish Harp and Crown" as a cap badge. In 1832 was added to the Harp and Crown the Latin motto Quis Separabit," which means "Who Shall Separate Us". This motto is all the more significant because of the patriotism of Ulster which has steadfastly refused to be separated from England, the country her soldiers have served so well for one hundred and thirty years.

As a band, the Royal Ulster Rifles have no peer in Hong Kong and the standard of music they produce is absolutely beyond criticism as is evidenced by the demand for their services on the radio. It is rarely, indeed, that Hong Kong is blessed with such a novelty as a Bugle Regiment and no music has the power to stir the heart or instill one with a true spirit of patriotism like that of a bugle band.

Last evening, the first item on the programme was a band and bugle march, entitled "Les Poilus". This was followed by the band march called "The Officer of the Day". Then the complete thirty-two buglers played that striking march, the "44th and Durhams", after which the band alone played "The Connaught Rangers". Again the buglers took their turn, this time blowing that old-time march "Austria". The band then rendered a selection of sweet old Irish Country Airs, after which the complete band and buglers struck up the most popular piece of the evening—"The Royal South Down Militia." This is indeed a famous old piece of music and the manner in which it was rendered by the band was truly magnificent. The next item was a short fanfare based on Suppe's light cavalry overture, before the actual sounding of Retreat by the massed buglers at 5.45 p.m. promptly.

The proceedings terminated with the playing of the National Anthem.

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT

The children's entertainment given by pupils of the Peak School and pupils of Miss Violet Capell at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon was well attended, the juvenile audience thoroughly enjoying the programme.

The programme was as follows:—

A Living Book of Nursery Rhymes by Junior Children of the Peak School.

Songs and Dances, Vena and June Mansell, accompanied by Mrs. Mansell.

"The Apple of Discord" A Greek Play Composed and Performed by Senior Children of the Peak School. Scene 1.—The Wedding Feast of Peleus and Thetis; Scene 2.—On the Slopes of Mount Ida; Scene 3.—The Olympic Games at Troy.

WHARF COOLIE SENTENCED

Eight Years For Manslaughter

UNPROVOKED ATTACK

The Criminal Sessions concluded yesterday with the case against Li Sai-ho, 21, wharf coolie, who was arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, on a charge of the manslaughter of Ng Shun-tak, 32, at Haiphong Road on October 24.

The following jurors were empanelled:—Messrs. W. Egge (foreman), J. B. Pomeroy, Woo How-ching, A. M. Eca, C. M. Xavier, Yip Sik-lung and C. Austin.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General appeared for the prosecution.

In opening the case for the Crown, Mr. Williams stated that the facts were that on the day in question the accused was involved in a quarrel with the deceased over a gambling debt in their coolie quarters at 15 Haiphong Road. It was alleged that the deceased picked up a pair of bamboo chop-sticks and attacked the accused with these with the result that the accused was injured in the eye. The accused left the premises and went to a grocery store where he attempted to take away a piece of firewood but was prevented from so doing by the shop accountant who, instead, gave him two pieces of paper to wipe the blood on his cheek.

Several minutes later deceased was walking along Haiphong Road from the direction of Canton Road when the accused went up to the man and struck him on the head with a piece of iron which he had in his hand. The deceased was later removed to the hospital by the police where he lingered until November 8 when he died from meningitis arising from a septic scalp wound as a result of the injuries he received from Li Sai-ho.

The accused then asked to give evidence in his own favour in the witness box and related his own story of the affair. According to him, deceased and he had a quarrel over a gambling debt. The deceased had lost 16 cents to him in the first game and as he owed Ng Shun-tak two cents previously, deceased was then indebted to him for 14 cents. The accused won the next game and the deceased thus lost 15 cents to him.

Defendant then told the Court that the deceased swore at him to which he replied accordingly. An argument developed following which Ng Shun-tak attacked him with a pair of chop-sticks and injured his left eye. The accused stated that he then ran out into Haiphong Road and while passing a grocery store he stumbled against a pile of firewood. The shop accountant called out to him whereupon he apologised himself. After the shop accountant had given him two pieces of paper to wipe the blood off his face he went down Haiphong Road again and, being afraid of meeting the deceased, he armed himself with a ship's rivet to protect himself.

Continuing, the prisoner stated that he met the deceased in the road and went up to him. He seized the deceased's hair and during the struggle, Ng Shun-tak pulled the accused's jacket over his head. Deceased struck him several blows and tried to press him down to the ground whereupon he struck out at random with the piece of iron.

In reply to a question put to him by the prosecution, accused denied that he waited purposely to attack the deceased.

Chan Kwai Lam, a fellow coolie of the accused, was put into the witness-box at the request of the prisoner, but he stated that beyond seeing the two men struggle together in 14 Haiphong Road he knew nothing further.

Accused: He is not telling the truth.

Chief Justice: He is your witness.

Addressing the jury, the Chief Justice stated that "it might as well be murder" but that the latter part of the evidence against the accused was not very satisfactory because of the scanty information given by the eye witnesses of the affair.

A verdict of "guilty" being brought in by the jury, the Chief Justice remarked: "We have here a very unprovoked, cowardly attack."

Sentence of eight years' hard labour was passed on the prisoner.

WEDDINGS

The forthcoming weddings are announced between Gerald Hollingsworth Bond, architect, of Dina House Duddell Street, and Bridget Marion Lockhart-Smith, nursing sister, of Kowloon Hospital; and between Paul Braga, motor sales manager, of 11 Knutsford Terrace, and Audrey Winsel, secretary, of 23a Cameron Road.

HARBOURING CASE REMANDED

Tam Fuk alias Tam Kung 39, married woman, and Wong Chi were brought before Mr. Q.A.A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of harbouring a girl under 16.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, representing the defendants, summoned Lau Hoi-chuen, the district watchman, for assaulting the second defendant on two occasions.

The case was again remanded till December 23 when the two charges of harbouring and assault will both be heard. Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen granted the request.

LIBEL ACTION SUCCEEDS

DEFAMATORY ARTICLE

Judgment in favour of the plaintiff of $200 and costs was awarded by the Puisne Judge, Mr. J. J. Hayden, in the Summary Court yesterday, to Leung Kam-loo, of 289 Tai Nam Street, who brought an action for libel against the Tai Chung Yat Po in respect of an article which appeared in the newspaper regarding him. Execution of the judgment was reserved until the appeal, applied by the defendants, is heard.

Mr. F. I. Zimmern appeared for plaintiff while the defendants were represented by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones.

The plaintiff originally claimed $1,000, which included claims for $10 as balance of wages for June, 1936, $30 for one month's wages in lieu of notice and $6 for one month's food allowance, due to him as sports correspondent for the newspaper.

In rendering judgment for the plantiff, Justice Hayden said: "I decide that the article is defamatory and I hold the publication to be a libel."

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Weekly Return

In the Colony of Hong Kong including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the 12th instant, there were altogether 49 traffic accidents, as the result of which 1 person was killed and 19 persons were injured.

The person killed, a Chinese male, died as the result of injuries received when he was knocked down by a public motor car whilst running across the road.

Of the persons injured, 11 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles.

One bus passenger and 3 tramcar passengers were injured whilst alighting from a moving motor bus and moving tramcars respectively.

One bicyclist was injured through falling from the vehicle whilst in motion.

One ricksha driver, one bicyclist and a motor cycle driver were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles.

Of the 49 accidents, 20 were collisions between vehicles; 19 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 10 accidents were due to other causes.

Vehicles involved in the 49 accidents were as follows:—

Type of vehicles	Nos. of accidents
Private motor car	21
Motor lorry	12
Public motor car	4
Motor bus	2
Motor cycle	3
Tramcar	6
Bicycle	1
Total	49

FANCY DRESS PARTY

The annual fancy dress party of the Central British School was held in the Peninsula Hotel yesterday afternoon and was largely attended by pupils, members of the staff, parents and friends and former pupils. No stone was left unturned to give the children a really jolly time and everybody joined in the fun of the afternoon. A sumptuous repast was served after which games were played and there was dancing including the old-time favourite, Sir Roger de Coverley. In the course of the evening, a play, entitled "Make Believe" was presented by the old pupils and was very well received. There was a galaxy of fancy dress costumes among which were many of original designs. Among those present were the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell, Headmaster of the School, and Mrs. Upsdell.

NEW CHINESE MINISTER TO POLAND APPOINTED

Mr. Wei Chen-chu, it is understood, will succeed Mr. Chang Hsin-hai who was recently recalled, as Chinese Minister to Poland.

NO SEASICKNESS FOR SHAW

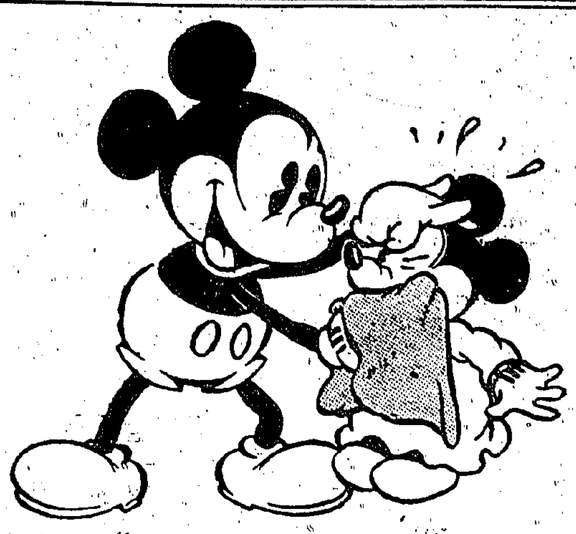
Bernard Shaw (relates the "British Medical Journal") adopted relaxation to combat seasickness.

Once when, crossing to France during the war in a destroyer he illustrated his method to a party of journalists by walking up and down completely relaxed, with his knees sagging.

"I'm not seasick," he exclaimed exultantly, "No," said H. W. Massingham, who was in the party "But you've made all the rest of us seasick."

COLONY'S HEALTH

Two cases each of diphtheria and enteric fever were notified by the Health Authorities during the 24 hours ending on December 16.



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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 19th December, 1936, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN.
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th Dec., 1936.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 21st day of Dec., 1936, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Chuk Un in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, $200.00 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LO[T]

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N. ft.	S. ft.	E. ft.	W. ft.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental. $	Upset Price. $
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2879.	Chuk Un	As per sale plan				About 10,000	68	1,000

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LORD NUFFIELD'S HUGE GIFTS

£3,265,000 In 10 Years

Lord Nuffield's gift of a further £750,000 for the endowment of a post-graduate school of medical research at Oxford University, announced recently, has raised the total of his donations during the past 10 years to the figure of £3,265,000.

It was less than six weeks ago that Lord Nuffield made the original gift to the University of £1,250,000, which has now been raised to £2,000,000. This is the largest gift ever made to any institution by a living person.

At the end of last year—during which he gave £25,000 to Papworth Tuberculosis Settlement and £60,000 to New Zealand and £50,000 to Australia for the treatment of cripled children—his gifts had amounted to nearly £1,000,000

His previous donations to Oxford have included:

1928: £10,000 for Spanish studies;
1929: £100,000 to buy the Observatory Site for the joint use of the Infirmary and the University Medical School;
1930: £47,000 to rebuild Wingfield Orthopaedic Hospital;
1932: £23,000 for the same purpose;
1935: £16,000 for the Institute for Medical Research.

On Oct. 16 it was announced that he had given £100,000 in response to an appeal which Oxford University was launching for certain development purposes, and had promised to be responsible for £80,000 required by Guy's Hospital for nurses' home extensions. Three days later he gave £35,000 for talking books for the blind.

BRITISH PROTECTION FOR PORTUGAL

London, Dec 16.

The treaties or alliance between Portugal and Great Britain contained specific reference to the defence and protection of Portuguese colonies, Mr. Anthony Eden told the House of Commons at question time to-day—*British Wireless.*

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ANSWER TO JAPAN

To the Congress of Soviets, which met in Moscow, two birth day presents were proffered by its leaders—a new constitution and a new railway.

The railway has been a well-kept secret. Few knew that it had even been begun, or what its course is. But of one thing there is no doubt—its purpose.

It is an important strategic line—a vital link in the Soviets' plan for the defence of Eastern Siberia against an attack from Japan.

Three great railway lines have been built through Eastern Siberia in the last forty years.

The original Trans-Siberian Railway, begun in 1891, was designed to run along the valley of the Amur, which was also the boundary between Siberia and Manchuria, as far as Khabarovsk.

This route meant a big detour through difficult country in the Upper Amur Valley, so in 1902 a second route was planned—the Chinese Eastern Railway, running largely through Manchurian territory.

This was the railway used by the Russians in the Russo-Japanese war of 1904. But it was a most inadequate artery. It had only a single track for a great part of its length, and it was interrupted altogether by Lake Baikal, which the trains had to cross on ferry-boats. So slowly did it work that the Russian troops in Manchuria could only be reinforced at the rate of about 1000 men a day.

The Japanese acquired control of Manchuria—now Manchukuo—in 1932, and the Chinese Eastern Railway ceased to be of any strategic value to the Russians, who sold it to the Japanese.

They had then to fall back on the original circuitous route from Irkoutsk, at the south end of Lake Baikal, along the Amur valley to Khabarovsk, and so south to Vladivostock. And this railway, too, was doomed to become more and more exposed to a Japanese flank attack.

What was to be done to make good the loss of the Chinese Eastern Railway and to ensure rapid communication with the Eastern Provinces? The Soviet Government decided on two steps—first, to double the existing single track from Lake Baikal to Khabarovsk; second, to build an altogether new line parallel with the old one, further north, and safely out of the way of Japanese attacks.

They set about these tasks with characteristically ruthless energy. Huge masses of forced labour were sent into Siberia. It is estimated that there were at one time as many as 100,000 working on the railways under police supervision—criminals, political prisoners, "liquidated kulaks"; many women were among them, and worked with pick and shovel alongside the men. They laboured in all weathers—even when the temperature fell to 70 degrees below zero, and men worked [illegible] deep in icy water.

By the [illegible] double track had been laid from Lake Baikal to Khabarovsk—1300 miles of track in two years.

A year later the second stage of the plan is completed.

A new railway terminus and industrial centre has been built—Komsomolsk, on the Amur; and the first through train from Moscow arrived in Komsomolsk on Thursday.

The announcement that the new railway is finished comes with dramatic suddenness after the German-Japanese agreement. It is Russia's answer to the Japanese challenge.

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Shoot On Saturday Afternoon

There will be a Spoon and Practice Shoot at Stonecutters, by courtesy of the Naval Authorities, on Saturday afternoon next, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp.

A private launch will leave Queen's Pier at 1.15 p.m., calling at the Kowloon Public Pier at 1.25 p.m., Shamshuipo at 1.40 p.m., arriving at Stonecutters at 1.50 p.m. The launch will be available for the return journey on the completion of shooting.

It is requested that through the Council representatives, the Honorary Secretary of the Association may be informed not later than 2.30 p.m. to-day (Friday) how many members from each unit or club will be attending.

AIR ATTACK ON MADRID

Bombers Sweep Over The City

Madrid, Dec. 16.

After a week's lull in the aerial bombardment of Madrid, owing to the thick weather, insurgent planes shattered the sense of security which winter had given the beleaguered Spanish capital.

Twenty huge bombers swept over the city to-day, escorted by a roaring, racing fleet of 32 fighting machines.

The raiders bombed the western areas of the city.

Government planes took off and met the attackers, and sought to engage them, eventually turning the attack and hanging on to the tail of the retirement. But 18 persons were killed and 50 injured in the onslaught.

PLANES SHOT DOWN

The most serious damage from the raid by rebel aircraft to-day occurred in the working class quarter of Tetuan de las Vitoria.

The Government claims that four of the raiding planes were shot down.

Despite rebel reports that Boadilla del Monte has been captured, Madrid says that further desperate insurgent assaults on the Government positions in this region have been repeatedly repulsed. This announcement is contained in a Defence Council communique.

The insurgents, says the communique, were eventually compelled to retire to their original positions after suffering heavy losses.

The intense cold is holding up operations, but the Government claims to have destroyed an insurgent position during a new attack on Oviedo, which has been undergoing a two-month siege.—*Reuter.*

HEAVY DEATH TOLL

London, Dec 16.

The casualties in the air raid of yesterday are much higher than was at first reported and it is now estimated that between 80 and 100 are dead and badly injured.—*Reuter.*

QUEEN'S HEALTH

London, Dec 16.

It is officially stated to-day that Queen Elizabeth, who had been suffering from a mild attack of influenza, is making very good progress and hopes to be out in a day or two.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester have also fallen victims to influenza. They are confined to their rooms at the Royal Pavilion, Aldershot. Another invalid is the Speaker of the House of Commons, who was absent from the chair to-day, owing to a cold.—*British Wireless.*

THE CHANGING PACIFIC

Noted Chinese Philosopher In Address At Shanghai

SAYS JAPAN'S SUPREMACY IN ORIENT CHALLENGED

Shanghai.

The unification of China has greatly been accelerated by Japan's aggression, and is now indisputably an accomplished fact. This new nationalistically inspired China, which is now rapidly undergoing militarization, forms one of three factors in the changing Pacific with which Japan has to reckon to-day.

Thus declared Dr. Hu Shih, well-known scholar and philosopher, who is the Dean of the College of Arts and Letters of the National Peking University, in the course of a lengthy speech at a dinner given in his honour by the American University Club, the Pan-Pacific Association, the Institute of Pacific Relations, and the Association of Universities and Colleges at the Park Hotel here on the evening of Dec. 3.

TRANSFORMING WORLD

Outlining a new and changing Pacific in which a balance of power is now taking shape, Dr. Hu told the audience that Japan only plays a part in the transforming world and is no longer a supreme power.

"Most people entertain the erroneous conception that Japan is still supreme in the Far East at present," the renowned philosopher said. "But I wish to point out that the supremacy of Japan in the Orient was true 17 years ago from the outbreak of the Great War to the outbreak of the Manchurian trouble in 1931, but has been no longer true since that year."

JAPAN'S PAST SUPREMACY

Dr. Hu noted the supremacy of Japan during the World War when the nations in the West, being preoccupied with their own affairs, left the Far East entirely in the hands of that country. For four years, he said, Japan's power was preponderantly supreme, which was evidenced by the notorious 21 Demands presented to the then Chinese Government, and it was considered as legitimate because of her innocuousness.

Since 1931, however, Dr. Hu continued, when she aroused her power in the West Pacific and disturbed the peace not only of the Far East but also of the world in general, Japan has lost her supremacy. By her acts in Manchuria she has shown the world the naked reality and brutality of her power, and in so doing she forfeited her uncontested supremacy by bringing forth several new factors with which she must now reckon and which tend to contest her position of preponderance in the Pacific.

REASONS

The above-mentioned factors, according to Dr. Hu, are as follows: first, a powerful Soviet Russia returning to the Pacific with a huge number of highly trained and well-equipped troops of the Red Army, a marvellously developed air force, and highly-developed industries; secondly, a rise of newly-armed or re-armed non-Asiatic nations in the Pacific; and thirdly, a newly unified and rapidly militarized China.

WAR FEARED

Dr. Hu predicted that those factors may drift into an international war, first between China and Japan and gradually involving all nations in the Pacific.

"However," he remarked, "far-sighted and constructive statesmanship may yet discern in this changing balance of power a new possibility for a peaceful readjustment of the Pacific world. On the foundation of the new balance of power, there may yet build up a Pacific regional peace machinery in which the United States, the U.S.S.R. and the British Empire as well as Japan and China may actively participate or the readjustment of the troublesome problems, that have for years beset the nations, and for the maintenance of a collective security for the whole Pacific."

"The only alternative to such peace arrangement," Dr. Hu concluded, "will be another world conflagration, the magnitude and horror of which may be beyond the boldest stretch of our imagination."—*Central News Agency.*

SCOTTISH MINE AGREEMENT

London, Dec. 16.

Three years of peace in the Scottish coalfields is assured as a result of the Scottish mine workers' ballot accepting the coal mine owners' offer of a new agreement providing a wage increase of three pence per day.

The increase gives miners a minimum wage of nine shillings a day during 1937.

The rate for the two succeeding years will be eight shillings nine pence a day.

The vote was very even, 23,942 balloting for acceptance and 21,000 against the agreement, which affects more than 50,000 men.—*Reuter.*

"WAR NOT INEVITABLE"

Sir S. Hoare And Defence Preparations

Sir Samuel Hoare, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking at a luncheon in London recently of the Regent group of the Abbey Division of Westminster Constitutional Association, said that the greater part of the naval construction programme was going to the special areas, and many of the millions they are spending on the Navy were being spent in those areas.

Some people took the view that war was inevitable and was coming on the world in a comparatively short space of time. "I do not believe that war is inevitable," said Sir Samuel. "I do not believe, grave as the situation is, that we are threatened with an acute crisis in the space of a few days, or a few weeks or a few months.

"Because I do not believe that, it does not mean that I do not push on with every preparation we can make in case I am wrong." But it does mean that I believe the time has not come when we should revert to war conditions and as a natural consequence put a great obstacle in the way of trade recovery and in the path of the country's economic prosperity. We hold the view that it is necessary to conserve the economic resources of the country, and, on that account, it would be a mistake to interfere with the industrial life of the country before it is absolutely necessary."

WEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

Mr. Walter Elliot's Prediction

Millions of pounds worth of work will come to the West of Scotland through the Government's decision to assist the special areas, which include the setting up of two or three armament factories somewhere on Clydeside.

Commenting on the Government's action when speaking recently, to members of Glasgow Conservative Club, Mr. Walter Elliot, Secretary of State for Scotland, said it would mean work valued at many millions, and business men must be ready to find land facilities and labour power to man those factories. It would not be as easy as it seemed.

"I am sure that heavy and light industries alike have a great future in Scotland," said Mr. Elliot. "The light industries have been more developed in the South, but we have got to get them up to Clydeside as well as the heavy industries."

He thought the large population in Glasgow and Lanarkshire alone should be a sufficient inducement for industrialists to start manufacturing in these districts because they would have a market for their goods at their very door.

"There are a million folk in Glasgow and a million in Lanarkshire more than in the whole Dominion of New Zealand."—*Bulletin.*

HOSPITAL FUND

London, Dec 16.

The annual grants of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, announced to-day, total, for the fifth year in succession, £500,000.—*British Wireless.*

At Kwanti Gymkhana

Mr. Ferguson and a friend photographed at the Gymkhana held recently by the R.W.F.

"LEAVING FOR SHANGHAI-PARIS"

Modernity To The Fore

When the Sunday supplement artist has nothing better to do, he draws a fantastic-looking machine taking off from the rooftop of a 25th-century building. A bored rewrite man dishes up quotes from some crackpot scientist to go with the picture, visualizing flights to Europe in five hours or less, excursions into the stratosphere, dazzling speed, most of it 18 karat baloney, and journalism has made its biannual contribution to aviation. In the meantime, Pan American Airways is preparing—late this summer or, at the latest, next—to fly you safely from Los Angeles to China in three days and nights. That is no dream, but a practical job.

Within five years, you may leave New York at 8 o'clock of a morning, rain or shine, and land in London at 1:05 p.m. the next day, with half a day left for business. The flying time will be around 24 hours. And you will do this for the first time in the history of aviation in the utmost luxury and comfort. The designers have stopped fretting about speed. The ship of tomorrow is being built with two main considerations—passenger comfort and fuel capacity.

The new transoceanic airplane will gross around 120,000 pounds, will carry between 30 and 40 people, and will have pleasant private cabins for two or four passengers, with sleeping berths. These cabins will be larger than railroad-train drawing rooms. There will be a dining room seating 20, a smoking lounge equipped with a bar, a few shower baths, observation lounge, and room to walk around. It will exceed in space and comfort the finest transcontinental train and, inside of two years, will make obsolete practically every type of flying machine now in commercial use, except those used for short, fast hops, where passengers are willing to sacrifice comfort for speed. Within 10 or 15 years, flying boats will be built weighing 500,000 pounds to carry a crew of 40 and a passenger list of 150. There is practically no limit to the size to which they may be built, and the larger they are, the safer they are, in the air or on the surface of the water.

According to Igor Sikorsky, who designed all the Pan American Clippers now in service, a cruising speed of 200 miles per hour is sufficient. Anything much faster is impractical from the point of view of cost, safety, and care of passengers. He says definitely: "Two notions about aviation of the future you may be prepared to discard—the stratosphere flight for passenger traffic, and the 500-miles-per-hour flight. The stratosphere flight is a possibility, but the sacrifices are too great. The cabin of the stratosphere ship must be a small, hermetically sealed, windowless metal box. Loss of pressure at 50,000 or 60,000 feet of altitude would be instantly fatal to everyone on board. For what? To bring Europe within a span of ten hours? The 24-hour ship will fly at a reasonable height, between 12 and 20 thousand feet, above all atmospheric disturbances, above the dangerous ice formation strata. The passengers, free from air sickness, will play, exercise, dance in the recreation hall, walk up and down the glass observation galleries in the leading edge of the seven-foothigh wing, sleep comfortably, eat the finest cooking—travel, in short, in all the luxury the finest transatlantic liner can provide.

"Ships can be constructed to withstand the worst tempests of which the limitless ocean of the air is capable. These same ships with their strong, high duralumin hulls, will ride out the worst storms on the surface of the ocean, if forced to descend. We will sacrifice a few hours of speed and instead give you safety. For by reducing speed, we can increase fuel capacity, and therein lies the real safety factor of the long distance airplane. Is London fogged or storm-lash? Then Hamburg, Bordeaux, Lisbon, Marseilles or Genoa will be clear and safe.

"The flying boats of the very near future will have a flying range of 5000 miles. A word from the radio dispatcher at the port of destination, and the pilot flies to clear weather and safe harbour. Taxi planes await the passengers wherever the landing is made, and little time is lost."

The flying boats which will soon ply regularly between Los Angeles and Shanghai could make a transatlantic crossing with ridiculous ease. The transpacific flight is possible now because the refueling stops and overnight rests may be made on American territory: Honolulu, Midway Island, Wake Island, Guam and Manila.

The next step will be nonstop to Europe on four giant motors, in a flying boats as big as a house, as comfortable, and certainly more beautiful. Two motors will suffice to keep her flying. For all four of the engines of the flying boat of the future to quit will be as strange as if all the turbines of an ocean liner should cease to function.

BIG NEWS FROM ATHENS?

Fleet-street history is full of stories of scoops secured by the use of devices such as cryptic messages quoting verses of Scripture.

It is said that the first news of the pourparlers for peace in the South African War was given by the cabling of "See Genesis 8.11." Genesis 8.11 reads, "And the dove came in to him in the evening, and, lo, in his mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off."

In view of the present troubled states of Europe a journalist friend of mine, who is steeped in this lore, is somewhat disconcerted by a cable he has just received at his private address.

This is an unsigned and wholly incomprehensible message from Athens, saying, "Close bargain pigeons."

CITY CHURCH MEMORIAL

The Lord Mayor, Sir George Broadbridge, recently unveiled in St. Ethelburga's Church, Bishopsgate, a window to the memory of Mrs. Geikie-Cobb, wife of the Rector.

BRITISH STEAMER SIGNALLED OFF

Alleged Action By German Cruiser

Berlin, Dec. 16.

News that the master of the British steamer, City of Oxford, had reported on arrival at Gibraltar that he had been signalled off the Portuguese coast by the German cruiser Deutschland with regard to the vessel's origin and destination, has astonished political circles here.

Well-informed quarters here declare the incident could only have been "a friendly greeting which the British captain must have misinterpreted."—*Reuter.*

BRITAIN RECOVERING FROM DEPRESSION

ELOQUENT STORY IN FIGURES

Imports Higher Than Other Countries

London, December 17.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, in a speech at Liverpool last night, reviewed Britain's progress towards recovery. Employment, which was a great test of prosperity, had in five years increased by nearly 20 per cent., and industrial production by 40 per cent. The period had been one of continual expansion in British trade, while the trade of the rest of the world has been shrinking.

There was no doubt that British export and import figures had been telling a very eloquent tale. There was little doubt that the purchasing capacity of the British working classes was greater than at any time in history. That was due not only to the activity of internal trade but also to the fact that long before the great war, and the great depression which followed the war, a social system had been built up which spread out the purchasing capacity in wider and ever widening circles to workmen and their families.

Imports into the country per head of population are about two and a half times those of France, three times those of Germany, and five times those of the United States.

The volume of exports of United Kingdom goods during the first nine months of this year was 20 per cent. greater than in the corresponding period of 1931.

For manufactured articles the increase was 25 per cent., and nearly every group showed an increase.

Excess of exports over imports of manufactured goods had increased from £45,000,000 for January to October 1931 to £119,000,000 from January to October of this year.

The real explanation of these facts was that in the last five years the Government had been doing what it could to keep the "open door" and to lower the general level of world barriers to trade. They were coming to the end of the first period of most of their trade agreements. They had renewed one or two of them, of which the most important was that with Argentina.

Ministry of Labour statistics show that on December 1 the average level of retail prices was approximately 51 per cent. above the level of July 1914. These percentages were the same as on October 31, 1936.—
British Wireless.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, paints a rosy picture of Britain's recovery from the trade depression.

BRITISH MOTOR PRODUCTION

Highest Output On Record

BIG IMPROVEMENT IN EXPORTS

In its monthly progress report recently issued the Statistical Department of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders shows that the output of the British motor industry for the year ended September 30 beat all previous records by a big margin.

Car manufacturers produced 353,838 complete vehicles and chassis, while the output of commercial vehicles (goods and passenger) amounted to 108,109. Thus the total production of all types was 461,947, which represents an increase of 14.4 per cent. and follows an increase of 18 per cent. for the corresponding period of 1934-35.

The output of cars for the year to September 30 is an increase of 13.5 per cent., and the monthly totals show an increase in every month, except August.

As in previous years, the biggest monthly output and sales of cars occurred in March, when close upon 40,000 units were produced and nearly 36,000 sold in this country alone.

INCREASE IN EXPORTS

Exports also reached a new high level for the year. Some 59,700 cars and car chassis were sent overseas, as compared with 50,219 during the previous 12 months, and 15,553 commercial vehicle units, against 14,835.

Imports of cars were lower during the year to August 31—a drop of 3519—bringing the total down to 10,173. Imports of commercial vehicles, on the other hand, show an increase from 1898 to 2377.

The number of cars in use in this country at September 30 is computed to have been 1,814,578—an increase of over 150,000.

SOVIET ENVOY TO LONDON

London, Dec. 16.

It is announced here that the Soviet Government has appointed Bogomolov as the new Soviet trade representative in London, in place of Oserski who recently has been given the post of the Peoples Commissary for the armament industry.

English business circles believe that the newly appointed trade representative will proceed with the plans of restricting the staff of the Soviet trade bureau here in view of the policy to have business deals in future concluded in Moscow.—
Transocean News Service.

DR. SVEN HEDIN'S IMPRESSIONS

Stockholm, Dec. 16.

The famous Swedish explorer, Sven Hedin, who returned here recently from a prolonged tour through the Reich, intends to write a book on the New Germany, according to the paper, "Aftenbladet."

"I found a strong and independent Germany, a Germany that is just as powerful and conscious of its power as in 1914, a new country that is looking forward to the future with optimism," Sven Hedin said to representatives of the paper. The explorer added that he had been greatly impressed by the many improvements introduced by the national socialistic government, as well as by the labour service and the gigantic net of motor roads now under construction.

"I have seen a country where everybody is working for the welfare of the state and where work is provided for everybody, which two facts certainly constitute a great modern miracle." Sven Hedin concluded in summing up his impressions received during the tour through the Third Reich.—
Transocean News Service.

DISTRESSED AREAS IN BRITAIN

London, Dec. 16.

Lack of initiative shown by the British Government in tackling the problem of the distressed areas was criticised in a resolution passed by the Council of the Liberal Party on Wednesday. The resolution asks the Government to take effective measures at once.—
Transocean News Service.

PREMIER LEAVES FOR CHEQUERS

London, Dec. 17.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who has stood the strain of the recent crisis remarkably well, left London yesterday for Chequers where he will spend the next few days and return to London on Tuesday. On the following day he will leave for his Worcestershire home where he will remain until Parliament reassembles on January 19.—
British Wireless.

EXCHANGE OF WAR PRISONERS

London, Dec. 16.

General Franco agreed to a plan of exchanging prisoners, according to an announcement received here. 2000 Basque prisoners of war are to be exchanged for the same number of nationalists.

A note to this effect has been sent to the British Ambassador in Hendaye and British warships will be placed at the disposal of both sides for taking the hostages on board.

According to the terms of the agreement all persons under 18 years and over 60 years of age as well as all women and children will be exchanged. Commenting on the progress made, Eden declared in the House of Commons on Wednesday that the British Embassador has actually supported the Red Cross representations under whose auspices the negotiations were taking place, and expressed the hope that the exchange would be carr'ed on regularly.—
Transocean News Service.

London, Dec. 16.

The exchange of 4,000 prisoners between the Basque Government and General Franco will shortly be carried out, according to a despatch of the British ambassador in Hendaye to the foreign office.—
Transocean News Service.

BRITISH NAVY HELP

London, Dec. 16.

Questioned in the House of Commons to-day, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, referred to negotiations in train for the complete exchange of all prisoners and hostages between Basque and neigbouring territories in Spain, and stated that at the request of both sides British ships had undertaken to give their fullest co-operation in carrying out the exchange.

In another reply he said the question of approaching the opposing forces in Spain to persuade them to apply the provisions of the convention in relation to protection of Red Cross units was under consideration.—
British Wireless.

DESPATCHES FROM WAR FRONT

Salamanca, Dec. 16.

Despatches from the Madrid front show that the main centre of military operations of the nationalist government has shifted during the last days to the left wing where fierce fighting occurred.

Though the continuance of the wet weather accompanied by thick fog is hindering the operations, nevertheless the national forces succeeded in improving their positions in the Escorial sector.

On the Madrid front the national troops repulsed Red attacks which led to sharp fighting in the University quarter.—
Transocean News Service.

KEY POSITION TAKEN

Toledo, Dec. 17.

Insurgents officially claim the complete capture of Boadilla del Monte, key position to the west of Madrid. They took the town at the point of the bayonet, and captured three armoured cars and other war material.

It is claimed that the advancing rebels later occupied a number of further advanced positions in this sector, formerly held by the Leftist International Brigade.

One of the most violent fights on the Madrid front developed when Government militia fiercely attacked the insurgent positions in the Casa de Campo sector. The rebels assert that after an all-day battle the militia was driven back to original positions.—
Reuter.

BRITISH MISSION IN ETHIOPIA

House Of Commons Statement

London, Dec. 16.

The question of British representation in occupied Abyssinia has been for some time under the consideration of His Majesty's Government, with special reference to problems arising from the retention of a diplomatic mission accredited to a Government which no longer exercises any local authority.

Making this statement in the House of Commons at question time, the Foreign Secretary added: "In any case it is not the intention of His Majesty's Government to accord recognition of annexion of Abyssinia."

In reply to another member who sought assurance that the British Government attitude regarding Abyssinia would be in conformity with the principle of non-recognition of changes brought about in disregard of the League Covenant, embodied in the declaration of February 16, 1932, Mr. Eden said: "His Majesty's Government adheres to the principle enunciated in that declaration, which was made in connection with the particular case of the Sino-Japanese dispute. But in its application to any case His Majesty's Government must be entitled to take account of the facts of the situation and of necessity—where protection of British interests is involved—of dealing with the actual authorities on the spot. Any such action on our part does not imply approval of methods by which the situation was brought about."—
British Wireless.

RECOGNITION OF ABYSSINIA

British Attitude

London, Dec. 16.

"The British government has no intention of recognizing the annexation of Abyssinia by Italy," declared the British foreign secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in the interrogation in the House of Commons on Wednesday.

Asked whether England would oppose any measures which might be taken by the League of Nations towards recognizing the Italian possession of Abyssinia, Eden declared a direct answer and stated that the problem would probably not become acute before the next meeting of the League.

He declared that England would continue to uphold the League principle that every member was entitled to political independence and inviolability of its territory, this maintaining also for Abyssinia.

In reply to a comments as to England's activities up the present in Addis Ababa, Eden declared that where British interests are at stake the government must negotiate with the authorities in command but that does not mean that this command has been approved.—
Transocean News Service.

RESCUE DESTROYER IN COLLISION

Paris, Dec. 16.

500 Spanish refugees arrived at Jean da Luz from Bilbao on Wednesday on board two British destroyers. Upon leaving the harbour of Bilbao one of the destroyers accidentally collided with a ship containing hostages which was anchored in the harbour there by breaking its anchor chain and forcing it against the pier with the result that it was considerably damaged. The hostages thereupon were transferred to a monastery. The destroyer was also damaged but was able to continue the journey.—
Transocean News Service.

STORMY WEATHER IN BRITAIN

London, Dec 16.

Stormy weather continues along the east coasts.

Two men were drowned to-day when the drifter, Margaret and Francis, was driven ashore in a gale off Belhelvie, Aberdeenshire. The remaining member of the crew reached shore with the aid of a lifebelt and was picked up unconscious.

The Aberdeen trawler, David Belchan, and the Buckie drifter, Healthery Known, were driven ashore in a gale, but their crews got ashore safely.—
British Wireless.

ITALIAN MOVES IN BELEARICS

Britain's Concern Expressed

London, Dec. 16.

Answering questions in the House of Commons, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Minister, to-day outlined the assurances given by the Italian Government with regard to the reported occupation of the Balearic Islands by Italian forces.

He stated that the British Charge d'Affaires in Rome on September 12 had informed the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, that any alteration of the status quo in the Western Mediterranean would be a matter of the closest concern to the British Government.

The Italian Foreign Minister, taking a note of this fact, assured the Charge d'Affaires that the Italian Government at no time had engaged in negotiations with the Spanish rebel leader, General Francisco Franco, regarding the Balearics, nor would it do so in the future.

This was reaffirmed to the British Naval Attache in Rome by the Minister of Marine.

The Italian Ambassador in London, had given Mr. Eden similar assurances on several occasions, the Foreign Secretary disclosed.

Further questioned, Mr Eden asserted that it was not His Majesty's Government's intention to accord de jure recognition to the annexation of Ethiopia by Italy.—
Reuter.

GERMAN DEMAND FOR COLONIES

New York, Dec. 16.

Germany does not demand absolute sovereignty over colonies she may obtain, declares Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, the German Minister of Economics, in an article published to-day in the magazine Foreign Affairs.

However, he strongly supports the national drive for a colonial empire.— *Reuter.*

NO RECEPTION IN BERLIN

Berlin, Dec. 16.

The traditional new year's reception of the Diplomatic Corps and the Defence Force by Chancellor Hitler will not be held on January 1 but on January 11 next year.—
Transocean News Service.

NEW MACHINERY FOR WARSHIP

London, Dec 16.

The First Lord of the Admiralty informed the House of Commons that orders are about to be placed for new machinery for H.M.S. Valiant with the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, of Govan, Glasgow, and with the Parsers Marine Steam Turbine Company, of Wallsend-on-Tyne respectively.

Sir Samuel Hoare also stated that he would shortly invite tenders for capital ships to be laid down in 1937.—
British Wireless.

SOONG CALLED TO SIANFU

Request For Mediation

Nanking, Dec. 17.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Governor of the Bank of China, ex-Foreign Minister, and brother-in-law of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, has been urgently summoned to Nanking to discuss the North China crisis. He is coming here this morning from Shanghai.

It is learned that Chang Hsueh-liang, rebel leader who has Marshal Chiang in his hands but whose troops are threatened by a loyal army lying around Sianfu, his base, has asked Mr. Soong to come to Sianfu immediately to mediate.

Meanwhile, the rebels have lifted the siege of Sienyang, 15 miles north-west of Sianfu, following the arrival of Government reinforcements for the loyal garrison. General Ho Ying-ching, War Minister, has been ordered to move against the rebels, in spite of the fact that the troops under Chang hold Chiang Kai-shek and eight other high officers as hostages.

There were, nine others besides Marshal Chiang. But it is now officially announced that Shao Yuan-chung, former chief of the Central Publicity Council at Nanking, is dead. It is not known whether he was executed.—
Reuter.

MORE ALARMING RUMOURS

ATTEMPT TO UPSET CONFIDENCE

Generalissimo Alive And Well In Sianfu

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

The mobilisation of 150,000 Nanking troops for Shensi to put down Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's revolt in three days even at the sacrifice of the imprisoned Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his colleagues gave rise to all sorts of rumous here this morning.

A Japanese report stated yesterday afternoon that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, leader of the revolt, announced the death of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his eight colleagues over the radio station at Sianfu. The Japanese report added that they were killed during the fighting between Chang's troops and Chiang's bodyguards who attempted to resist the "kidnapping."

This report was branded as incorrect by a government spokesman, who said that the alarming report was intended to upset confidence in government banknotes and bonds.

The whereabouts of Mr. W. H. Donald, Australian adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who flew to Sianfu to effect his release are unknown. Official reports confirmed that Generalissimo Chiang is alive and well in Sianfu as a hostage of General Chang Hsueh-liang.—
Union News.

CHANG'S PLANE AT TAIYUANFU

Five Passengers Aboard

Nanking, Dec. 17.

Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's private aeroplane arrived at Taiyuanfu, Shansi, from Sianfu, at 4 o'clock this afternoon with five passengers whose identity has not been disclosed.

The possibility that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang may be aboard has caused the greatest excitement.—
Reuter.

MARCH AGAINST SIANFU

Nanking, Dec. 16.

The Nanking Nationalist (Kuo-mintang) Government has issued a mandate to-day denouncing the rebel Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, and ordering his immediate arrest and punishment.

General Ho Ying-ching, Minister of War has been placed in command of a punitive army of 200,000 men and a fleet of 100 bombing machines, and is ordered to capture Sianfu within three days.

The capture of Sianfu will not be difficult, but it may mean the sacrificing of the lives of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and other hostages.

It is said that General Chen Sing, Assistant War Minister is alive and well, and not dead as reported in the early telegrams.

It is hoped in Chinese and foreign diplomatic circles that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will soon be given his freedom, as his death might lead to a general disruption of the country, and the encouragement of China's enemies to take advantage of her domestic quarrels.—
Chinese Evening Press.

GRAVE CONCERN TO GOVERNMENT

Canton, Dec. 17.

The arrest and detention of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek in Sian by the rebel Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang is not only a matter of grave concern to the Government, but it effects the citizens of the whole country just the same.

Owing to the gravity of the situation, the Nanking Central Government has telegraphed to the different Provincial Governments to immediately send representatives to the capital.

As the result of repeated conferences, the high civil and military authorities have decided to send a representative to the capital to report and receive instructions.

Accordingly, Mr. Lui Kin-kwan left for Nanking yesterday by aeroplane.

It is reported that the Canton-Hankow Railway has been reserved for the transportation of troops, and no passenger tickets are being sold.

As Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is a prisoner in the hands of mutinous communist troops, the greatest anxiety prevails regarding his ultimate safety.

What endangers Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's life, and lessens his chance of freedom, is the report that the communist leaders, Chu Tak and Mo Chak-tong have already reached Sianfu, and are planning and organising a communist Government.

But, it is a foregone conclusion that their efforts will certainly meet with failure, owing to the near approach of General Ho Ying-ching and his punitive army of 200,000 men and 100 aeroplanes.

It is reported that Madame Chiang Kai-shek is at present in Loyang waiting for news of her husband's release.—
Chinese Evening Press.

RELEASED HOSTAGE ON THE WAY

Assurance Of Safety Of Generalissimo

Nanking, Dec. 17.

General Chiang Ting-wen, Pacification Commissioner of Fukien, who was released after his capture with others including the Generalissimo at Sianfu, has arrived at Loyang en route to Nanking.

An assurance that Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek was safe was contained in a telephone message from General Chiang Ting-wen from Loyang where he is held up by bad weather. He hopes to reach Nanking to-morrow.—
Reuter.

"KEEPING COMPANY"

Nanking, Dec. 17.

It is officially stated that Mr. W. H. Donald has telegraphed that he is staying with the Generalissimo "to keep him company."
Reuter.

NANKING'S TERMS OF SETTLEMENT

Nanking, Dec. 17.

In view of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's compromising attitude, the Nanking Central Government has instructed Mr. W. H. Donald, English adviser to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, to convey him the following terms of settlement:—

(a) Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to immediately restore Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's freedom, and escort him safely back to Nanking.

(b) Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to issue a circular telegram of repentance, and to leave the country.

The North East Army to be ordered to proceed to a certain destination, and the Central Government to undertake the work of suppressing communist bandits.

General Yu Hok-chung's Army, to retire into Sian City.—
Chinese Evening Press.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE TO CANTON

Canton, Dec. 17.

Yesterday Mayor Tseng Yang-po of Canton telegraphed from Nanking stating that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek was safe under the protection of General Yang Fu-cheng, Pacification Commissioner of Shensi province, and that he was living in the private residence of Commander Feng Yam-choi.

He also stated that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has been visited by his English adviser, Mr. W. H. Donald, and that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang was also present at the meeting.

He confirmed the death of General Chin Ta-chun from wounds received during the mutiny of the troops.

General Chen Sing, Chief Military Adviser, and Vice Minister of War, succeeded in escaping, and flew to Nanking with the news of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's safety.—
Chinese Evening Press.

HUNGARIAN VISIT TO BERLIN

Berlin, Dec. 16.

The Hungarian minister of the interior, Von Kozma, who has been sojourning a week here, conducting conversations with prominent personalities, left the German capital to return to Budapest on Wednesday evening.—
Transocean News Service.

REICH ARMY LAW

Berlin, Dec. 16.

Henceforth German soldiers will use a direct form of address when replying to their superiors, according to a new ordinance which abolishes a custom dated from the time of Friedrich Wilhelm I.—
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FINAL RACE MEETING OF THE YEAR

Three Autumn Champions

BEAR CLAW VS. KING'S WARDEN

(BY "LAST QUARTER.")

The Hong Kong Jockey Club will bring successfully to a close their racing programme for 1936 on Saturday, December 19, when the three Autumn Champions will be contested at the 13th Extra Race Meeting. The entries for the various events on the programme are only fair, but though the fields will be on the small side, some very close finishes should be seen

Mr. H. M. Pih has returned to the Colony and will be riding at this meeting, but the public will miss the presence of Messrs. Davis and Botelho. Mr. Davis met with an accident at Fanling last week and had his arm put out of action. I am certain that all racing fans will join me in wishing him a speedy recovery. Mr. P. P. Botelho left for Manila on Wednesday evening by the s.s. "Empress of Asia" on a well-earned vacation and will be away for about a month. Mr. G. U. da Roza will also be an absentee from the saddle at this meeting.

The December Handicap, the first event of the day, is a mile race for China Ponies; winners of $2,250.00 or more in stakes since Jan. 1st, 1936, and "A" Class Ponies barred. Wild Life (Frost) will be carrying top weight but as the opposition is not too strong, the chances of this combination are very good. Bright View (Y. T. Fung) and Pontiac Bay (Ip Kui Ying) will probably occupy the remaining places; the former being exceptionally dangerous if the going is soft. I do not think New Star will start here as the Tardy Handicap later in the day should be a better prospect for this bay pony. King's Justice (S. C. Liang), King's Sceptre (Norman Deitz) and Tyne (Black) will be the other acceptances.

THE QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONS

The Queensland Champions for Australian Ponies of any season, winners at Extra Race Meetings only, will be run next. The mile and a quarter should be covered at top speed, with the old rivals Strathroy (Black) and Electron (Deitz) fighting out the issue, though it seems as if Mr. MacGregor's candidate will add another victory to the numerous successes already achieved. I cannot see any of the other qualified ponies getting within striking distance of the above couple. Ranger (Ralph) should occupy the minor position, but a bad start may prove his undoing. Perfect Day (S. C. Liang), I understand, will also start. If this stable also decides to send Derby Day to the post, the race will certainly be fought out at a cracking pace and it would not surprise me to see the record beaten.

The Tardy Handicap for "C" Class China Ponies, winners of $1,000 or more in stakes since Jan. 1st, 1936, barred, looks a good thing for New Star (Y. T. Fung), as this bay is in excellent condition at the moment. King's Bounty, 168 lbs., will be in the capable hands of Mr. H. M. Pih but the weight will be too much. The Tiger (Frost) and Soldier of China (S. Y. Liang) should be prominent. Valorous (Black) is lightly weighted at 140 lbs., but his repeated failures of late does not justify following this grey, unless the track is soft. Laughing Girl (Deitz), Monoplane (S. C. Liang) and High Honour will also go to the starting post.

BEAR CLAW AND KING'S WARDEN

There will probably be six starters for the Hong Kong Autumn Champions and the public will be assured of a very fast and keen race. I anticipate a gruelling fight all the way down the straight between Bear Claw (Frost) and King's Warden (Deitz). It will be the first meeting between these two ponies, worthy representatives of two of the best known and popular stables in the Colony, and the ultimate result will be difficult to forecast. Added interest will be sustained by the presence of Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih), Gladiator (Y. T. Fung) and Herod (L. P. Ralph); not forgetting that gallant old mare Diana Bay, with Don Black in the saddle. A meeting of champions and a race worth going a long way to witness.

Holiday Eve (Frost) will undoubtedly be the public choice for the Last Chance Handicap over one mile for Australians of any season; winners of $1,250 or more in stakes barred. This is the first leg of the Daily Double and the field will probably be the largest of the day. Double Finesse (H. C. Pih) should give Holiday Eve a close run, with Bobniak Star (S. C. Liang) as the next best. Blandford (W. G. Poy) is the best outsider, in my opinion. Racing Heart (Black), Saucy Face (H. M Pih), Bag Tor (Ralph), Snowy River (Ip Kui Ying), Honey and Hercules will also accept.

There will be a very small field for the Sub-Griffins Champions and the favourite Rose Evelyn (Deitz) should finish the season with another classic win. Wild Cat (S. Y. Liang) has come on very well since the St. Leger was run and is in fine fettle. This dun should do better over the 1-1/4 miles and will supply the opposition to Rose Evelyn. Gold Sovereign (H. M. Pih) should secure third place. To date, I understand that the only other starter will be Stopwatch (S. C. Liang).

The second leg of the Daily Double will see old favourites in the "D" Class meeting over one mile. Laughing Buddha (Deitz), Pride of Tsingtao and Diogenes (Black) are my fancies. Racing Boy (Choy Wing Chiu) should be close if he can only show slight improvement over his training gallops. This ex-champion sub has done consistently well in the mornings but somehow always fails at the critical moment in a race. With 5 lbs. off the handicap weight of 150 lbs., it would be interesting to note how this pony will run, especially if ridden from the back of the field. Don (H. C. Pih) is worth an outside bet.

The last race of the day, the Finale Plate, is a six furlongs sprint for "E" Class China Ponies and subs of this year that have not won more than $1,500 or more in stakes; and to be ridden by Novice Jockeys. I like the chances of Hopscotch (Poy) as this bay did an excellent gallop last Saturday morning. Cassius (Choy Wing Chiu) and Shamrock (Gregory) should be placed. Popular Star will be taken out by Mr. S. L. Yuen and King's Parade will have Mr. Browning as his pilot.

Final selections will appear tomorrow morning.

CRICKET

The D.B.S. lost by seven wickets to an eleven led by the Headmaster, consisting mainly of Old Boys.

SCORES

D.B.S. 92 (W. Lau 35, A. Macaulley 28, G. White 19, Hulse 2 for 14, Sargent 2 for 27, Lay 2 for 28).
Headmaster's XI. 123 for 5 wickets (A. Zimmern 48, J. Fong 25, D. Crary 3 for 56).

The Headmaster's XI hit up the runs needed in a little over half an hour, batting for 50 minutes altogether.

Running between wickets was bad on each side, three of the school being run out, and also two of the other side.

THE FAMOUS SADDLE STORY

There is one story that is always turning up; and at last we have found out where it comes from. The original, be informed, concerns the store of Hall & Holtz of Shanghai and is a recorded in history books. It tells how shortly after Hall & Holtz opened (about 80 years ago), it sold a saddle and lost a record of the transaction. Neither Mr. Hall nor Mr. Holtz nor anyone else remembered who bought the saddle. On a chance, a dozen bills were sent out to a dozen possible purchasers. To Hall & Holtz's great delight, eleven people paid the bill.

In most recent retellings the locale of this ancient yarn has been changed to a general store in Maine or Long Island or Arkansas. The story has great vitality. But the Hall & Holtz version has yet to be improved upon and most revivals saddened us by the omission of the only true and obvious ending: the one man in twelve who didn't pay his bill was the one one man who, it turned out, had bought the saddle.

FARMER CHOPS DOWN OLD TREE

Keeps On Chopping At Snakes

Lucky, Penn.

Mr. Claud S. Gemmill, a farmer in this vicinity, swung his axe lustily against an old, hollow apple tree.

The tree crashed to the ground but the farmer had hardly laid down his axe when a big snake crawled out from the hollow hole. Mr. Gemmill seized his axe again and killed the snake. Another snake crawled out and the axe swung again.

Then the snakes began coming out in pairs and Gemmill had to work fast to keep up with them.

When the smoke of battle had cleared away, he had ten dead snakes around him.

THE NATIONAL TRUST

The Marquess of Zetland, Secretary of State for India, Sir Kingsley Wood, the Minister of Health, Lady Rhondda and Mr. Herbert Morrison were among the guests at the dinner of the National Trust held recently.

SCOTT'S LEGACY TO SCOTLAND

Tribute At Edinburgh Dinner

"Sir Walter Scott is the greatest figure in Scottish" literature. He endowed the novel with a sphere of action wider than it had ever possessed before," said Dr. James Curle when he spoke at the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Sir Walter Scott Club in the North British Station Hotel, Edinburgh, recently, according to the "Glasgow Herald." Dr. Curle proposed the toast of "The Memory of Sir Walter Scott."

Scott's characters, he said, with their infinite variety, were alive, fresh, and vigorous. The life Scott's readers came in touch with was clean and wholesome. There were no troublesome sex problems, and everywhere there were wells of humour gushing out of the wayside to refresh.

"The younger generation do not read Scott as they did when the Waverley novels were pouring from the press, and we need hardly be surprised," said Dr. Curle. "The flash of the sword, the crack of the pistols do not give youth the thrill they find in the pursuit of mysterious criminals by detectives moving through the night in high-powered cars."

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"One wonders what Sir Walter would say about Edinburgh as it is now," said Lord Robertson, who proposed the toast of "The City of Edinburgh." "What changes would Scott see or good or ill?

"On the whole, I think he would give his blessing to the changes he saw in the Old Town. The Shrine would have his wholehearted approval.

"I am afraid, however, that he would not like Princess Street with its sadly jumbled architecture. But looking at the Castle Rock, he would see that the more Edinburgh changes the more it remains the same."

Lord Provost Gumley, in replying, said that the Town Council was not unaware of the need for imaginative planning and development if the amenity of Edinburgh was to be handed down unimpaired to future generations.

At the business meeting of the Club, Professor George M. Trevelyn was elected president for the ensuing year.

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QUEEN MARY VISITS THE EAST END

Climbs Six Flights At New People's Palace

Queen Mary fulfilled an old promise to London's East End, recently, when she visited the People's Palace in Mile End Road. The afternoon was made one of great celebration. Mothers postponed their usual Saturday shopping and stood in the flag-dressed streets behind the rows of cheering children.

Queen Mary arrived promptly at three and spent an hour inspecting the new Palace and witnessing demonstrations by the students in the Queen Mary College next door. So eager was the Queen to see everything that in the People's Palace she climbed six flights of stairs to the projection room on the top floor.

It was an engineering afternoon for her Majesty. At the People's Palace she was received by Mr. W. C. Johnson, Chairman of the Governors, to whom she expressed her regret at having had to postpone her visit. She was particularly interested in the chair lift by which the Queen's Hall, with a seating capacity of 1,600, can be cleared of chairs and changed from an auditorium to a dance hall in only a few minutes. The architectural and engineering details were explained by Mr. George Coles, one of the two architects.

DESIGNERS CONGRATULATED

Even the technicalities of the air-conditioning plant the Queen asked to have explained, and she expressed pleasure that the equipment of the projection room from which the cinema and all the lighting is controlled was of British manufacture—a condition which would have been an impossibility two or three years ago.

Queen Mary recognised the decorative Empire woods used in the auditorium and complimented the governors on their choice of colour schemes.

"Indeed it is all so pleasant that I should like to come to one of your concerts one day," she said.

It is just 12 months since work was begun on the site, partly cleared after the fire which robbed East London of one of its most important social centres, founded by Mr. J. T. Barbar Beaumont in 1841. The King opened the new Palace on December 12, and during the last few weeks work has been advanced to make Queen Mary's visit as comp'ete as possible.

During the afternoon nine-year-old Joan Mitchell presented Queen Mary with a bouquet, the gift of the People's Palace and the East London Horticultural Society.

"INDEED—A THRILL"

Next door, in the College of the University of London which bears her name, Queen Mary was more than an observer of engineering devices. She was an experimenter.

In the electrical engineering department she visited the high voltage laboratory, where she presed a button that controlled an impulse generator producing a millionvolt flash.

The button is in the gallery of the laboratory, and suspended between the floor and the ceiling of the hall is the giant apparatus it controls. Queen Mary stood against the rail and watched the equipment which is used to test insulation against lightning discharges.

"I have indeed had a thrill," she said at the conclusion of the experiment.

THE MASCOT—MARY

Of Sir Lynden Macassey, chairman of the Governors and Sir Frederick Maurice, principal, Queen Mary asked several questions concerning the future of the students of the college. She was delighted to hear that not only have all past students secured work, but those who are now in training are virtually certain of employment with wireless, aircraft or other engineering concerns.

In the corridor Queen Mary stopped to admire a leopardess of carved wood. "The Mascot" she asked? She was told that it was so and was taken to all football matches.

"What is her name?", Queen Mary asked and laughed when told "Mary."

By the time Queen Mary reentered her car to drive away, the crowd outside had doubled itself, and from the wide car windows she bowed in acknowledgment of their affectionate greetings.

LYNCH SUES FOR £2000

Counter-Claim Lodged

Benny Lynch, flyweight boxing champion of the world, has lodged a counter-claim for £2000 against his former manager, Samuel Wilson, 107 Florence Street, Glasgow, who is suing him at Glasgow Sheriff Court for a similar sum for alleged breach of contract, states "The Bulletin."

In his claim, Wilson avers that Lynch entered into a four years' agreement with him in February, 1935, and by that agreement Wilson undertook to act as manager for Lynch and to make every effort to secure contests and certain other engagements for him.

Lynch, he states, agreed to be managed and contracted exclusively by Wilson and to accept all and every match, exhibition, or other engagements made on his behalf by Wilson.

NO COMPLAINT

Wilson avers that he carried out his duties as Lynch's manager and the defender made no complaint with regard to his services.

Shortly before a contest arranged for Lynch in Belfast about March 11, 1936, Wilson received a letter from Lynch intimating that he did not want Wilson "in my corner at Belfast."

Lynch, in his answers to the condescendences, admits that pursuer was engaged for some time prior to 1935, to act as his manager. The agreement, he contends, was not stamped and could not be referred to.

LOST MONEY

Wilson, he avers, failed to carry out his part of the agreement, and by his failure to negotiate certain contests he lost considerable sums. The sum Wilson sued for was absurd.

In his counter-claim Lynch avers that Wilson failed to acknowledge letters from various boxing promoters who were requesting him to arrange contests for Lynch. Wilson even failed to acknowledge telegrams and telephone calls from boxing promoters anxious to secure Lynch's services in contests.

Wilson denies these averments, and states that certain requests referred to for contest could have been carried through, but when they were submitted to Lynch he refused to accept them.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Second Round Of Triangular Tournament

On Saturday the Club will meet the Royal Navy in the second round of the Triangular Tournament. H. E. the Governor has signified his intention of watching this game, which will commence at 4 p.m. on the Club ground at Happy Valley.

Two games of this year's series have so far been played. On December 5, the Club defeated the Royal Navy by nineteen points to six and on December 12, the Royal Navy defeated the Army by eleven points to nil. If they are to finish at the head of the table, the Navy will have to win Saturday's game and it is understood that they are going all out to do so. Those interested in Rugby Football will be sure to see a keen and hard fought game if they are present at the Valley.

The Triangular Tournament game will be preceded by a match between the Club A XV and an Army side, which will commence at 2.45 p.m.

Mr. D. W. MacEwen has kindly consented to referee the Triangular Tournament game, whilst Dr. J. A. R. Selby will officiate in the junior game.

The teams selected are as follows:—

Royal Navy:—E. R. A. Evans (Hermes), F/O Weir (Hermes), Lt. Partridge R. M. (Hermes), Lt. Harvey (Odin), Lt. Smeall (Hermes), Lt. Euman (Perseus), Lt. Davies (Perseus), Sur. Lt. Miles (Hermes) Mne. Davison (Hermes), Mne. Light (Dorsetshire), Lt. Coltart (Proteus), Lt. Hallifax (Daring), Lt. Hawkins (Oswald) (Capt.) E. A. Holland (Berwick), Lt. Baker (Dorsetshire).

Club 1st. XV:—J. P. Whitham, K. A. Munro, H. D. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve, H. van Leeuwen, A. H. R. Butcher, J. L. Bonnar, K. A. Watson, W. E. Peers, E. P. Humphreys, W. H. Currie, I. H. Bradord, B. O'M. Deane, A. F. Walkden (Capt.) and N. E. Clarke.

Club A XV:—M. H. Curtis, L. Lammert, J. Hutchison, B. J. Gallagher, J. B. Stewart, C. W. Lyle, J. R. Henderson, W. G. Schnabel, G. S. Chambers, D. K. Paul, G. M. Binnie, R. P. Edwards (Capt.), H. W. E. Heath, J. G. Dalziel and T. Swan.

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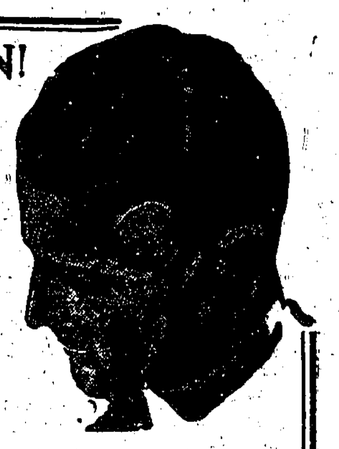

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Hong Kong Stock Exchange					Sharebrokers' Association			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	THURSDAY, DEC., 17.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
$1,810	...	$1,815	—	H.K. Banks	..	...	...	$1,810
—	...	...	£108½	Do. (London)	...	..	...	£108½
...	...	...	£15¾	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£15¾
..	...	..	£23¼	Mercantile Bks "A"	...	...	...	£23¼
...	...	...	£14¾	Do. "C"	...	...	...	£14¾
...	...	...	$83	Bank of East Asia	..	...	..	$83
...	..	...	—	N. C. & S. Banks	.	...	...	$8¾
				Insurances				
	...		$300	Canton Insurances	...	...	...	$300
$612½	...	$615	...	Union Insurances	$610	...	...	...
...	...		$1	Underwriters	...	...	...	90 cts.
...	...			China Fires	...	...	...	$457
...	...	...	$305	H.K. Fires	...	..	...	$300
—	...	...	$3¼	International Assce. S.	...	...	...	..
				Shipping				
		...	$30	Douglases	...	...	...	$30
...	...	...	$7.40	Steamboats	...	...	...	$7
...	...	...	$35	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	$35
...	...	...	$36	Do. (def.)	...	..	...	$38
..	...	...	124/4½	Shells	...	...	...	124/4½
...	...	...	$10½	Waterboats	...	...	...	$10½
				Mining				
		...	—	Balatocs	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Gold River	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Gold Creek	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Salacots	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	14/3	Kailans	...	...	...	13/6
...	...	...	...	Langkats (single) S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Explorations S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Loans S.	...	...	...	...
$13.10	...	...	..	Raubs	...	...	...	$14
$8	...	...	...	Venezuela Gold Flds.	...	—	—	$7½
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
		...	$106½	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	..	...	$108
...	...	...	...	Do. (old)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	..
...	...	...	$1½	Providents (old)	...	...	...	$1.45
...	...	...	20 cts.	Do. (new)	...	...	...	20 cts.
...	...	...	$13¾	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	S. China Motors 'A'	...	...	..	$14
...	...	...	$90	Shanghai Docks S.	...	...	...	$90
...	...	...	$4	New Engineerings S.	...	...	...	$4
...	...	...	...	Hongkews S.	...	...	...	...
				Lands, Hotels, and Buildings				
	...	5½/60		H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	$5½
...	...		$35	H.K. Lands S.	...	...	...	$38
...	...	...	$105	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	$102
...	...	...	$13	Shanghai Lands S.	...	...	..	...
...	...	...	$10	Metropolitan Lands	...	...	...	
...	...	...	$4.90	H.K. Realties	...	...	...	$5
...	...	...	$4	China Do S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$60	Do. Debentures S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	$9½	...	Humphreys	...	...	...	$9¾
...	...	...	$78	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	..
				Cotton Mills				
...	...	...	$13.70	Ewos S.	...	...	...	$13¾
...	...	...	$85	S'hai Cottons (old) S.	...	...	..	$85
...	...	...	$60	Do. (new) S.	...	...	...	$60
...	...	...	$26	Zoong Sings S.	...	...	...	$25
...	...	...	$36	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	$29½
				Public Utilities				
$12.10	...	$12.15	..	Tramways	...	...		$12.10
...	...	...	$6½	Peak Trams (old)	..	...	...	$5½
...	...	...	$2½	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$2½
$93	...	$93	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	$93½
...	...	...	$25	Yaumati Ferries	...	...	...	$25
$12.60	...	$12.70	...	China Lights (old)	$12.50	...	$12.70	c d
...	...	...	$10½	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$10½
$53¾	..	$54	...	H.K. Electrics	...	...	$54	...
...	...	...	$20	Macao do.	...	...	...	...
$10	...	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$28.15	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	$27¾
...	...	$10	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$9.90
...	...	...	$11½	China Buses S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	27/-	Tractions	...	..	...	27/-
...	..	...	27/-	Do. (pref.)	..	...	...	...
				Industrials				
...	...	...	...	Malabon Sugars	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$19½	Caldbeck, Macgregors (ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$15	(pref.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$2.20	Canton Ices	$1.65	x d	...	...
...	...	...	$11	Cements	...	...	...	$10¾
...	...	...	$2½	Ropes	...	...	...	$2.80
				Miscellaneous				
$20	—	...	...	Dairy Farms	..	...	...	$20
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...	...	...	$3	Ch. E'tainments	...	...	...	$3.20
...	...	...	$1¾	Constructions, (old)	...	...	...	$1.70
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...	...	...	$4.85	Watsons	...	...	...	$4
...	...	...	...	Wm Powells	...	...	...	50 cts.
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3%	prem.	...	...	Do. 3½%	...	...	...	$102½
...	...	...	$4	Wallace Harper	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$60	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...	$62
...	...	...	...	S'hai Do	...	...	...	$61
...	...	...	$5½	Vibro Piling	...	...	...	$5½

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Philippine Gold Mining Quotations

	16th Dec. Closing Rates	17th December, 1936. Time Received 8.45	8.45	8.55	9.10	9.25	9.35	9.50	10.10	1.45	1.55	2.05	2.20	2.45
Antamoks	3.35	3.30	3.40	—	—	—	3.35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Atoks	37	36½	37½	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37	—	—	—
Baguio Gold	21½	21½	22½	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Benguet Consol	13.75	—	14.00	—	—	13.25	13.50	—	U	—	13.75	—	—	—
Benguet Explor	14	14	16	15	—	16	—	—	N	—	—	—	—	—
Big Wedge	27	27	29	—	—	—	—	—	C	—	—	—	—	—
Demonstrations	66	66	68	—	65	—	—	66	H	65	—	—	—	—
Itogons	1.25	1.25	1.30	—	—	—	—	—	A	—	—	—	—	—
I. X. L.	1.45	1.40	1.45	—	—	—	—	—	N	—	—	—	—	1.45
Masbates	36½	36	38	—	—	36½	—	—	G	—	—	—	36	—
Northern Mining	13	12½	14	13½	13	—	—	—	E	—	—	—	12½	—
Paracale Gumaus	47	47	51	—	—	—	—	47½	D	47	—	47½	—	—
San Mauricio	2.15	2.15	2.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Suyoc Consol	35	35	38	36	35½	—	—	—	—	—	36	—	—	—
United Paracales	1.10	1.10	1.15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Market Comment.	Firmer	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	V.S.	S	Q	Q	S	S	Q	S

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

Business was reported in H. K. Banks at $1,815, China Lights (Old) at $12.70, Electrics at $54, Telephones (Old) at $28 and conditions generally remain quietly steady. Ewos were enquired for at Sh.$13.80.

The Manila market opened quiet but steady and at the close prices showed only slightly variations during the day.

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, $1,810.
Union Insurances, $612½.
Raubs, $13.10.
Venz. Goldfields, $8.
H.K. Trams, $12.10.
Star Ferries, $93.
China Lights (Old), $12.60.
H.K. Electrics, $53¾.
Sandakan Lights, $10.
Dairy Farms, $20.
Ewo Cottons, Sh. $13.80.
Constructions (New), 42½ cts.
Govt. 4% Loan, 8% Prem.
Govt. 3½% Loan, 3% Prem.

SALES

Hong Kong Banks, $1,815.
Union Insurances, $615.
H.K. Hotels, $5½-5.60.
Humphreys, $9½.
H.K. Trams, $12.15.
Star Ferries, $93.
China Lights (Old), $12.70.
H.K. Electrics, $54.
Telephones (Old), $28.
Telephones (New), $10.
Masbate Consol., 59½ cts.

HONG KONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

BUYERS

Lights Old CD. $12½.
Canton Ices XD. $1.65.
Paracale Gumaus. 75 cts.

SALES

Paracale Gumaus. 77 cts.
Gumaus Goldfields, 45 cts.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(British Wireless Service)

	December 9.	Dec. 14.
Paris	105 9/64	105 9/64
Geneva	21.33½	21.32
Berlin	12.18½	12.19
Athens		
Milan	93½	93 3/16
Shanghai		
New York	4.90¾	4.90 5/8
Amsterdam	9.0¾	9.01
Vienna		
Prague	138¼	136
Bucharest		
Madrid		
Lisbon		
Hong Kong		
Brussels	28.98½	29.02
Montevideo		
Belgrade		
Montreal	4.89¾	4.90
Yokohama		1/1 61/64
Helsingfors		
Rio		
Buenos Aires		
Silver (Spot		
Silver (forward)	21 1/16.	21⅛.
War Loan	105¼.	3½% 105 7/8.

Closing Quotations

December 17, 1936.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1/2 31/36
Bank Bills, on demand
Credits. four months' sight ... 1/3⅛

On Shanghai:—
On Demand ... 102¾

On Singapore:—
On demand ... 52 9/16

On Japan:—
On demand ... 105¾

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 81½
Bank, on demand ...

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 30 3/16
Credits, 60 days' sight. 30¼

On Batavia:—
On demand ... 55 3/16

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 648
Credits, 4 month's sight 675

On Saigon:—
On demand ... 64¾

On Manila:—
On demand ... 60

On Bangkok:—
On demand ... 150¼

Sovereigns Bank Buying Rate ... 1/3 1/16

Bar Silver, per oz. ... 21¼

PHILIPPINE MINING NEWS

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Atok Gold Mining Company held recently, the purchase of equipment required for flotation of ore from the Broadway and Frank veins of the Big Wedge Mine was approved. Cabled orders have been forwarded.

The equipment ordered will provide for handling up to 150 tons per day of the refractory ores from the veins above stated. Metallurgical tests made by the American Cyanamid Company on these ores have been very satisfactory and the flotation equipment as ordered is based on the recommendations made as a result of the tests on the ore shipped some time ago.

The shaft on the Broadway vein is now down 88 feet below the Muyot drain tunnel level, and will probably be continued another 112 feet. Very satisfactory assays have been secured from the vein at 50 feet below the Muyot tunnel level and the vein continues strong.

The Frank vein was cut with the diamond drill at 120 feet below the Comason tunnel level and showed about 23 feet in width but with low values. However, the structure shows up well and further diamond drilling may be done after completion of the hole which will be put down on the Lost Hero vein. Preparations are also being made to diamond drill on the possible extension of the Keystone vein from the Benguet Consolidated Mining Company property.

Advance on the Muyot tunnel has been temporarily halted due to the large flow of water encountered in the face. The Bodega tunnel has about 650 feet to go to reach the boundary of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Co. property. The face of this tunnel is now in hard rock and considerable water is being encountered.

The mill is functioning very satisfactorily with extraction averaging 92.3 per cent.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

Hong Kong, Dec. 17.

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits currency for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers	
Spot	33¼	Up ¼
Jan.-Mar.	33¼	Up ¼
April-June	33¼	Up ¼
July-Sept.	33¼	Up ¼

Market:—Advise profit taking.

SYNTHETIC FUEL IN FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 16.

The French government devised a novel way of safeguarding the market for the sale of French synthetical fuelstuffs by organizing a selling trust to which all those firms are compelled to belong that have obtained import permits for benzine gained from the petroleum refining process.

This trust will market the entire French production of synthetical fuel at the producers' cost. Seeing that these production costs are considerably higher than the import prices for benzine gained from petroleum, the trust will market the synthetical fuels that will be equalized by the profit from the trade with imported benzine. The trust will commence its operations in January, 1937.—*Transocean News Service.*

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From December 18 to 24, 1936.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Low Water Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Fri.	18	13 12	4 6	03 31	0 9
		23 31	7 6	16 51	3 9
Sat.	19	—		07 10	1 2
		13 50	4 7	17 41	3 9
Sun.	20	00 20	7 1	07 54	1 7
		14 25	5 0	18 47	4 0
Mon.	21	01 21	6 4	08 35	2 1
		15 20	5 4	20 28	4 0
Tues	22	02 38	5 6	09 22	2 6
		16 09	5 8	22 46	3 6
Wed.	23	04 16	5 0	10 10	3 0
		17 00	6 4	—	
Thur.	24	05 58	4 6	00 22	2 9
		17 50	7 0	11 01	3 4

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Dec. 17.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.94	30.08	29.94
Temperature	70	72	72
Humidity	83	81	93
Wind— Direction	E	E	E
Force	5	3	4
Weather	O	C	C
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open-air Temperature, 16:71
Lowest open-air Temperature, 17:69

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing Showers; J=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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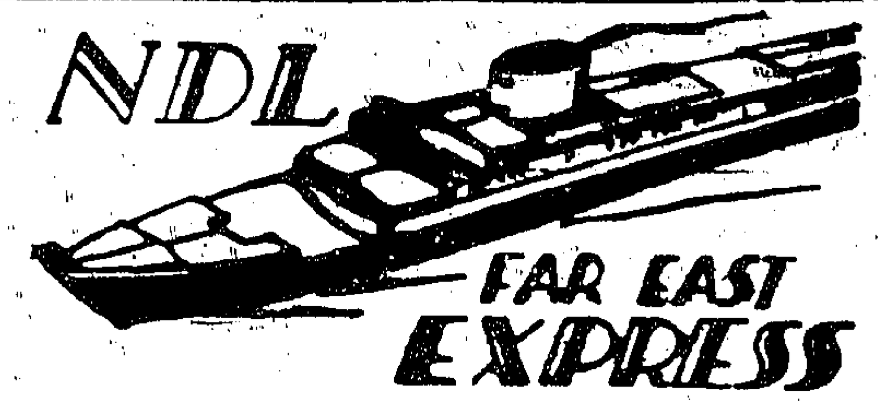

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	Trave	Mars., Amsterdam, Rotterdam, H'burg, Bremen	Dec. 31
Straits & Ceylon	Scharnhorst	S'pore Penang, Belawan, Colombo	Dec. 25
	Trave	Singapore, Belawan	Dec. 31
Manila	Scharnhorst	Manila	Dec. 25
Shanghai & Japan	Potsdam	S'hai, Yokohama, Kobe	Jan. 12
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Havel	Shanghai, Dairen, Tsingtao, Y'hama, Nagoya, Kobe, Osaka	Jan. 9
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THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Hong Kong, Dec. 17.

The price for Ready Silver dropped 1/16 yesterday and the Forrate 1/8, the quotations being 21¼ and 21 3/16 respectively. Silver advices reported India and China as having sold. There was a little bear covering. Steady. After the official fixing India and speculators sold for near and bought for forward delivery. American Silver was quoted at 45 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 4.91½. New York-London was quoted at 4.91 15/32.

MARKET

Steady with very little doing.

STERLING

Opened with sellers at 1/2⅞ with business done later at 1/2 29/32 for December, January and March. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/2⅞ December-March and probably April with small buyers at 1/2 29/32 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

No business was reported. There were sellers at 30 7/16 December-April, buyers at 30½ for any delivery.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 103⅜, buyers probably at 103½ for cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at 1/2⅜, buyers probably at 1/2 13/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, sellers at 29⅛, buyers at 29 9/16 for cash.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market was a shade steadier in the afternoon.

IN STERLING

Some business was done at 1/2 29/32 for near delivery, finishing with small sellers at 1/2 29/32 December-February and 1/2⅞ March-May, buyers at 1/2 15/16 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

Business was done at 30¼ for the last week of January. The market closed with sellers at 30 7/16 December-April, buyers at 30 9/16 for any delivery.

FOREIGN TRADE OF GERMANY

Berlin, Dec. 16.

The German foreign trade balance for November shows a surplus of 64 million reichsmark over the preceding month. The figures for the period from January to November 1936 thus give the German trade a favourable balance of 459 million reichsmarks.

The value of German imports during the month of November was 358 reichsmarks which is a slight increase over the preceding month, whereas 422 million reichsmarks of German exports represent a drop of 10 million reichsmarks as against October.—*Transocean News Service.*

FINANCE

China's Economic Outlook

The speech delivered by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, chief economic adviser to the Government, to the China Association recently, was of exceptional interest not only to the numerous commercial and trading interests in China having connections with the Far East and to holders of Chinese bonds, but to an even wider circle—namely, all who are concerned to see at the earliest practicable moment a resumption of international finance with which the revival of international trade is closely bound up states "The Times." Although the original purpose of the British Government in sending Sir Frederick Leith-Ross to China was to secure international cooperation for the purpose of assisting that country, in the end none of the countries that were invited to collaborate were willing to do so, and Sir Frederick went out alone. In these circumstances the visit was more fruitful than could possibly have been anticipated. At the time China was suffering from an acute monetary and financial crisis. That crisis was overcome in a manner which showed that the Chinese authorities had not lost a capacity for handling a big problem in a big way. The almost revolutionary currency reforms introduced little more than a year ago have worked with remarkable smoothness, the exchange has been firmly maintained without any difficulty, and the resources of the three Government banks have been greatly strengthened. The creation of a proper central reserve bank has not yet taken place, but the expert report on this question is now before the Chinese Government, and there is every reason to believe that the new bank will be organized in the near future.

THE BUDGET QUESTION

Speaking of the vital necessity of securing a balanced Budget, Sir Frederick Leith-Ross said that his Majesty's Government hoped that British and foreign traders would not content themselves with seeking merely to perpetuate indefinitely the immunities they enjoyed, but would consider China's fiscal needs in a constructive spirit—a reference, of course, to the question of the yield of taxation. Meanwhile, thanks to the reforms that were undertaken last year, there has been a notable improvement in Chinese revenues from existing taxes. The Customs revenues, he said, already showed distinct signs of such improvement. During the earlier months of the year the yield was disappointing owing to the general depression, and also to extensive smuggling in North China. That, however, has been substantially curtailed, and since July Customs revenues have shown steady and strong recovery. This recovery will be carried farther when the Chinese Government have revised their tariff as they are now doing.

INCREASED CUSTOMS REVENUES

Chinese bondholders will be particularly interested in learning of this improvement in the Customs revenues, for bonds secured on the Customs have not yet recovered to the level at which they stood before the smuggling took place, causing nervous holders to sell owing to fears that the bond service might be imperilled. There is no ground whatever for anticipating any difficulty in maintaining the service of the bonds. China is now engaged on a large programme of internal development, and in the absence of foreign lending she has been forced to raise internal loans to an excessive extent and at increasingly high rates of interest. Sir Frederick went on to point out that if the Chinese Government were able to finance part of this development programme by means of foreign loans the funds would be raised more cheaply and at the same time the demands on the domestic market would be reduced, thus enabling China to finance the Budget deficit proper out of real savings. The Chinese Customs loans have always been fully honoured, and Sir Frederick believes that they will continue to be so. Therefore it should not be difficult to improve Chinese credit to a point at which recourse could advantageously be had to the foreign capital markets.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York: December 17.

	High	Low	Last Close	Today's Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	—	—	4.90-23/32	4.91-15/32	¾ up
New York Cotton—Mar.	12.40	12.27	12.32	12.32	unchanged
New York Rubber—Mar.	20.35	20.16	19.91	20.20	.29 up
Chicago Wheat —May	130¼	128¾	129⅜	129⅜	unchanged
Chicago Corn —May	104¾	103¾	104¼	104¾	½ up
Silver—Official	—	—	45¼	45	¼ off

Dow Jones Averages	1936 High	1936 Low	Dec. 15	Dec. 16 High	Dec. 16 Low	Dec. 16 Close	Change
30 Industrials	185.39	143.11	181.97	182.57	180.87	181.56	.39 off
20 Rails	60.45	40.66	55.00	55.26	54.81	54.56	.04 off
20 Utilities	36.16	28.63	35.29	35.55	34.88	35.28	.01 off
40 Bonds	106.01	96.92	105.91			105.88	.03 off
11 Commodity Index	77.79	65.58	77.79			77.82	.03 up

Business Done:—1,950,000 shares.

Stocks	Last Sale Dec. 15	16
Adams Express	14¾	14¾
Allis Chalmers	76	74½
Amer. Can	115½	114
Am. Car & Foundry		
Amer. Cyanamid	34	34½
Amer. & For. Power	7⅞	7⅞
Amer. & For. $7 pf.	57½	58
Amer. Locomotive	46½	46
Amer. Metals	52½	52
Amer. Radiator	25⅜	25⅜
Amer. Rolling Mill	34¾	34¾
Amer. Smelting	97⅛	95¾
Amer. Steel F'dries.	59¾	58½
Amer. Sugar	55	56½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	186½	185⅜
Amer. Tobacco "B"	96½	96½
Amer. Waterworks	25¾	26
Anaconda Copper	52¾	52⅞
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	71⅞	71⅞
Atlantic Refining	31½	30⅞
Atlas Corpn.	16⅞	17
Auburn Motors	32⅞	32
Baldwin Locomotive $7 cum. pf.	93½	93
Baltimore & Ohio	22	22½
Barnsdall Oil	22½	22½
Bendix Aviation		
Bethlehem Steel	75⅜	73½
Boeing Airplane	34¾	34½
Borden Co.	26⅞	26⅞
Briggs M'facturing	58½	58⅜
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans	53½	53
Brooklyn-Manhattan $6 cum. pf.	102	101⅞
Case, J.I.	151	150
Canadian Pacific	13⅜	13½
Celanese Corpn. of America	26⅜	26½
Cerro de Pasco	72⅞	71⅞
Certain-Teed P'ducts	14½	14⅛
Chesapeake Corpn.	87	86¾
Chesapeake & Ohio	65	65⅜
Chrysler Corpn.	123⅞	124
Columbia Gas & El.	18	18
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	104	104*
Commercial Credit	68½	66
Commercial Solvents	18	18⅜
Commonwealth & S.	3⅝	3⅝
Commonwealth $6 cum. pf.	70½	70⅞
Consolidated Edison	45⅛	44½
Consolidated Oil	14⅞	15½
Continental Oil	42⅞	42½
Corn. Products	69⅞	69⅝
Curtiss Wright (C.)	6⅞	6⅞
Curtiss Wright "A"	20½	20½
Delaware & Hudson	45⅞	46
Del. Lackawanna & Western	106	105⅝
Distillers Corpn Seagrams	26⅞	26½
Douglas Aircraft	73½	72⅞
Du Pont	180½	180⅝
Electric Boat	12⅞	12½
Elec. Bond & Share	21⅞	22⅜
Elec. Bond & Share $5 pf.	70	70¾
Elec. Bond & Share $6 pf.	80⅛	79⅞
Elec Power & Light	23½	25
Elec Power & Light $7 pf.	34½	34½
Firestone Tire & R.	40⅝	40½
Flintkote	36½	36⅛
Gen. Asphalt	50⅛	49½
Gen. Cigar	52⅞	52⅞
Gen. Electric	39⅞	40½
Gen. Foods	69⅞	69½
Gen. Motors	53⅜	53
Gen. Railway Signal	15⅜	15½
Gillette Safety Razor	23⅞	23½
Glidden		
Gold Dust	14	13⅞
Goodrich (B.F.)	34⅛	34
Goodrich $5 pf.	84	84½
Goodyear	28⅞	28⅜
Great Northern Rly.	41½	41⅜
Great Western Sugar	39⅞	39⅞
Holly Sugar Corpn.		
Humble Oil	74⅜	75⅞
Int. Nickel	63⅜	63½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	12⅜	12½
Int. Dept Stores	32½	32½
Kennecott Copper	60⅞	60⅜
Lambert Corpn.	20⅞	19½
Loew's Inc.	64½	64
Lorillard	22⅜	22½
McIntyre Porcupine		
McKesson & Robbins	45½	45½
Monsanto Chemical	99½	99½*
Montgomery Ward	65½	66
Murray Corpn.	18½	18½
Nat Cash Register	30	30
Nat Dairy Products	23½	23⅞
Nat Distillers	29½	29
Nat. Power & Light	11⅜	12
New York Central	43⅞	43⅞
Niagara Hudson P. Corpn.	16⅞	16⅜
North American	30⅞	30⅜
Northern Pacific	27⅞	27½
Pacific Gas & Elec.	37⅞	38½
Pacific Lighting	47	50½
Packard Motors	11	10⅞
Paramount	21⅞	21⅜
Pennsylvania R.R.	40⅞	40½
Phelps Dodge		
Phillips Petroleum	48½	47⅞
Public Service of N.J.	49	48½
Pullman Inc.	63½	64½
Pure Oil	18⅞	19½
Radio Corpn. of Am.	11⅜	11⅜
Republic Steel	29	29½
Reynolds Tobac. "B"	58⅜	58
St. Joseph Lead Co.		
Schenley	52⅞	48 ‡
Schenley 5½% pf.	96‡	96
Sears Roebuck	97⅞	96⅞
Shell Union Oil	26⅜	26⅞
Socony-Vacuum	15½	15½
Southern Cal Edison	29⅛	28⅝
Southern Pacific	42⅜	42½
Southern Rly 5% pf.	52⅞	53
Stand Brands	15½	15⅜
Stand Gas & Elec.	8⅞	8⅞
Stand Gas & Elec. $7 pf.	58½	58½
Standard Oil of N.J.	67	67½
Sterling Products	71⅞	70⅞
Swift International	32½	31⅞
Technicolor	22½	22½
Texas Gulf Sulphur	39⅝	39⅜
Tidewater Assoc. Oil	19⅞	20½
Timken-Detroit Axle	24½	24⅞
Transamerica	17⅜	17⅞
20th Cent. Fox Films	36½	36⅜
20th Cent. Fox Films pf.	46	45½
Un. Carbide & Carbon	103⅞	103½
Un. Pacific	131	132
United Aircraft	29⅜	28½
Un. Airline Transport	18⅞	18½
United Corpn.	6⅞	6⅞
United Corpn. $3 cum pf.	45⅞	45⅞
Un. Gas I'provem't	14½	14⅞
Un. Light & power "A"	7⅛	7
U.S. Industrial Alcohol	39⅞	39½
U.S. Rubber	46½	46
U.S. Rubber $8 pf.	98	96½
U.S. Steel	77⅞	78⅛
Vanadium	26	29
Warner Bros Pict.	17⅞	17⅞
Westinghouse Elec.	148½	148
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	80	79⅝
Chase National Bk.	45⅞*	45⅞*
National City Bank	38⅞*	38½*
Call Money	1%	1%

‡ ex. div. * Bid

FRENCH ARMAMENT LOAN OFFERED

Subscriptions In Gold

Paris, Dec. 16.

The new French armament loan was offered for subscription on Wednesday. Speaking over the radio the minister of finance explained that "the needs of national defence are placing a heavy burden on France's shoulders under the prevailing circumstances."

After appealing to all Frenchmen, particularly those who, for various reasons hoarded gold, to subscribe to the loan the minister expressed the hope the raising of the new loan would definitely terminate the financial difficulties resulting from the devaluation of the franc.

The new bonds will be issued only to those who pay gold or who can produce certificates showing that they have surrendered gold. They will be worth 100 francs at the time of issue and will be redeemable after 3 years at 140 francs, which fact, it will be recalled, has caused French sceptics to remark that "the new loan is putting a premium on the further devaluation of the franc."—*Transocean News Service.*

REICHSMARK RATES

Berlin, Dec. 16.

Reichsmark quotations (without guarantee):—

New York	40.23
Paris	865.—
Amsterdam	73.90 to 73.93
London	12.20
Paris Sterling	105.13 to 105.16
U.S.A. Dollar	2141.½ to 2142.

Transocean News Service.

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd Dec., 1936, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 17th Dec., 1936.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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R. OHL,
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Hong Kong, 11th Dec., 1936. 4875

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th Dec., 1936, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clark.

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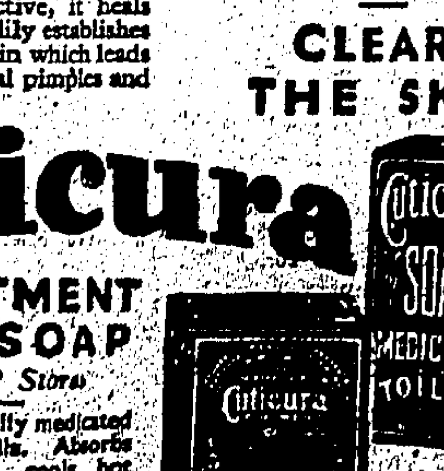

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Swatow, Shanghai, Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"HOIHOW"	On 20th Dec., 10 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Swatow, Singapore & Penang	"ANHUI"	On 21st Dec., 2 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KIANGSU"	On 22nd Dec., Noon
Swatow S'hai. & Tsingtao	"KANCHOW"	On 23rd Dec., 10 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow, Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"NANCHANG"	On 23rd Dec., 10 a.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TAIYUAN"	On 23rd Dec., 5 p.m.
Swatow, S'hai., Tsingtao, Chefoo & Tientsin	"YOCHOW"	On 25th Dec., 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KWANGTUNG"	On 25th Dec. 3 p.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"KINGYUAN"	On 26th Dec. 5 p.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	"SHANTUNG"	On 27th Dec., 10 a.m.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TSINAN"	On 29th Dec., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tsingtao	"CHENGTU"	On 30th Dec., 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KAYING"	On 1st Jan., 3 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"KWEIYANG"	On 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.

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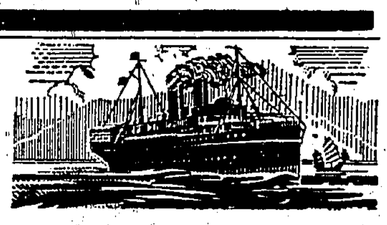

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Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 29.
Alipore, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Aramis, Messageries', January 19.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Atreus, B. & S., Dec. 31.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 25.
Bangalore, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Benlawers, Loxley's, Dec. 26.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Bluton, P. & O., Jan. 22.
Burgenland, Jebsen's, January 11.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 23.
Canton, Messageries', Dec. 21
Chenonceaux, Messageries', Dec. 26.
Comorin, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 26.
Corfu, P. & O., Jan. 21.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', Dec. 26.
Dagfred, Jebsen's, Jan. 14.
Diomed, B. & S., Jan. 11.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., December 21.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 1.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 29.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Jan. 7.
Fernhill, Jebsen's, December 21.
Fukuoka Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 18.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries', Dec. 25.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Gloria Stella, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 16.
Haining, Douglas', December 25.
Haitan, Douglas', Dec. 21.
Havel, Melchers', January 9.
Havre Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., December 26.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', January 8.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
Kotohira Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Manesthens, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Dec. 30.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
Potsdam, Melchers', January 12.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, Dec. 18.

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ADVERTISED SAILING FROM HONG KONG

NORTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Amoy.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 18.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 20.
Tjikembang, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 20.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Haitan, Douglas', Dec. 22.
Fukuoka Maru, O.S.K., December 23.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, Dec. 23.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Dec. 23.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), December 24.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 24.
Haining, Douglas', December 25.
Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 26.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 29.
Tsinan, B. & S., December 29.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., December 30.

Chefoo.
Hoihow, B. & S., December 18.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Hangsang, Jardine, Dec. 25.

Dairen.
City of Salisburg, Bank Line, Dec. 18.
Hangsang, Jardine, Dec. 25.
Preussen, Jebsen's, December 31.
Aeneas, B. & S., January 5.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Havel, Melchers', January 9.
Burgenland, Jebsen's, January 11.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.

Foochow.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 18.
Szechuen, B. & S., December 19.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Haitan, Douglas', Dec. 22.
Haining, Douglas', December 25.
Hangsang, Jardine, Dec. 25.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 29.

JAPAN (Direct).
Kutsang, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Havre Maru, O.S.K., December 22.
Suisang, Jardine's, December 27
Hawaii Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 29.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.

Keelung.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 20.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., December 30.

Shanghai and Japan
Menestheus, B. & S., December 20.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 21.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), December 24.
Ranpura, P. & O., December 25.
Benlawers, Loxley's, Dec. 26.
Bangalore, P. & O., December 26.
Chenonceaux, Messageries', Dec. 26.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 26.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 26.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Preussen, Jebsen's, December 31.
Tarifa, Thoresen's, Dec. 31.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., January 1.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 3.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Ramses, Jebsen's, January 6.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 7.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', January 8.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Jan. 8.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Havel, Melchers', January 9.
Afrika, F.A. Co., January 11.
Burgenland, Jebsen's, January 11.
Potsdam, Melchers', January 12.

SHANGHAI AND VIA PORTS.
Hoihow, B. & S., December 18.
Szechuen, B. & S., December 19.
Kaying, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Taksang, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Sinkiang, B. & S., December 23.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Dec. 23.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Dec. 23.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 24.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Dec. 25.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Kingyuan, B. & S., Dec. 26.
Sandviken, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Soochow, B. & S., December 27.
Tsinan, B. & S., December 29.
Chengtu, B. & S., December 30.
Aeneas, B. & S., January 5.

Swatow.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 18.
Hoihow, B. & S., December 18.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 20.
Kaying, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Seistan, Douglas', Dec. 20.
Taksang, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Haitan, Douglas', Dec. 22.
Kiangsu, B. & S., December 22.
Fukuoka Maru, O.S.K., December 23.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, Dec. 23.
Helios, Thoresen's, Dec. 23.
Seistan, Douglas, Dec. 23.
Sinkiang, B. & S., December 23.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Dec. 23.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Dec. 25.
Haining, Douglas', December 25.
Hangsang, Jardine, Dec. 25.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Canton Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Sandviken, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Soochow, B. & S., December 27.
Haiyang, Douglas', Dec. 29.
Chengtu, B. & S., December 30.
Hozan Maru, O.S.K., December 30.

Takao.
Fukuoka Maru, O.S.K., December 23.

Tientsin.
Hoihow, B. & S., December 18.
Fooshing, Jardine's, Dec. 25.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Hangsang, Jardine, Dec. 25.

Tsingtao.
Hoihow, B. & S., December 18.
Taksang, Jardine's, Dec. 20.
Sinkiang, B. & S., December 23.
Yatshing, Jardine's, Dec. 23.
Hangsang, Jardine's, Dec. 25.
Yochow, B. & S., December 25.
Sandviken, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Chengtu, B. & S., December 30.
Preussen, Jebsen's, December 31.
Aeneas, B. & S., January 5.
Ramses, Jebsen's, January 6.
Havel, Melchers', January 9.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.

EASTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Baltoa.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
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Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.

Baltimore.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.

Boston and New York.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.

Buenos Aires.
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.

Cristobal.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.

Honolulu.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 26.

Los Angeles.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7

Mexico.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.

Panama.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 2.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7

Philadelphia.
Nankai Maru, O.S.K., December 27.
Peter Maersk, Jebsen's, December 28

Portland and Puget Sound.
Gen. Sherman, States Co., Dec 12.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.

San Francisco.
Tai Ping, Dodwell's, Dec. 18.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., January 6.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.

Seattle.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.

South America (W.C.)
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 7.

Vancouver, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 23.

Victoria, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 23.
Talthybius, B. & S., January 12.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., January 26.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

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Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

Bali.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, December 22.

Bangkok.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., December 20.
Kiangsu, B. & S., December 22.
Helios, Thoresen's, Dec. 23.

Batavia.
Roseville, Bank Line, Dec. 22.

Belawan-Deli
Roseville, Bank Line, Dec. 22.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.

Brisbane.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

Cairns.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

Cebu.
Silveryew, Furness', December 20.
Rheinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Dagfred, Jebsen's, January 11.

Davao.
Silveryew, Furness', December 20.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.

Haiphong.
Kiungchow, B. & S., December 18.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 26.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries', Dec. 28.

Hobart.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.

Hoihow.
Kiungchow, B. & S., December 18.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 26.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries', Dec. 28.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 28.

Koung Tcheou Wan.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries', Dec. 28.

Makassar.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, December 22.

Manila.
Silveryew, Furness', December 20.
Fernhill, Jebsen's, December 22.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, December 22.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Jan. 1.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Dagfred, Jebsen's, January 11.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

Melbourne.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
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Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

Menado.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.

Pakhoi.
Kiungchow, B. & S., December 18.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 26.
G.G.P. Doumer, Messageries', Dec. 28.

Rabaul.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.

Saigon.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26

Sandakan.
Mausang, Jardine's, January 15.

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S.S "CHAKSANG" 31 Dec. at 3 p.m.

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S.S. "FOOSHING" 25 Dec., 8 a.m.

To SANDAKAN
S.S. "MAUSANG" 15 Jan. at 11 a.m.

To TIENTSIN via SWATOW, FOOCHOW, TSINGTAU, CHEFOO & DALNY
S.S. "HANGSANG" 25 Dec. at 8 a.m.

To KOBE & OSAKA via AMOY
S.S. "KUTSANG" 20 Dec. at 7 a.m.

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Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

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Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

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Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

WESTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Alexandria.
Arima Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.

Amsterdam.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.

Antwerp.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.

Barcelona
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.

Beyrouth.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Bombay.
Alipore, P. & O., December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 28.
Kotohira Maru, N.Y.K., December 30.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., January 11.

Boston and New York.
Silveryew, Furness', December 20.
Javanese Prince, Furness', Dec. 28.

Bremen.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.

Bromborough.
Atreus, B. & S., January 1.

Calcutta.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), December 19.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., December 20.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Dec. 31.
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 5.

Casablanca.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 19.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Arima Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.

Colombo.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.
Alipore, P. & O., December 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 28.
Kotohira Maru, N.Y.K., December 30.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P & O., January 2.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., January 11.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Copenhagen.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.

Djibouti.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.

Genoa.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Gibraltar.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.

Glasgow.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Gothenburg.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.

Haifa.
Danmark, E.A. Co., January 17.

Halifax
Silveryew, Furness', December 20.
Javanese Prince, Furness', Dec. 28.

Hamburg.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30
Trave, Melchers', December 31.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Reinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Arima Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 9.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
City of Salisbury, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Danmark, E.A. Co., January 17.

Havre.
Atreus, B. & S., January 1.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
City of Salisbury, Bank Line, Jan. 14.

Hull.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.

Istanbul.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Jaffa.
Danmark, E.A. Co., January 17.

Karachi
Alipore, P. & O., December 25.

Leith.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.

Liverpool.
Atreus, B. & S., January 1
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

London.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.
City of Salisbury, Bank Line, Jan. 14.

Malta.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16

Marseilles.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.
Ajax, B. & S, December 30.
Trave, Melchers', December 31
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.

Naples.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.

Oran.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.

Oslo.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.

Palm, D.M.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.

Penang.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 19.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 20.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Cremer, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 24.
Alipore, P. & O., December 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 28.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 28.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Kotohira Maru, N.Y.K., December 30.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Dec. 31.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 5.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., January 11.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Persian Gulf.
Alipore, P. & O., December 27.

Piraeus
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Plymouth.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.

Port Swettenham.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), December 19.
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2.

Port Said.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Reinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.

Rangoon.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), December 19.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., December 20.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 28.
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 5.

Rotterdam.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Trave, Melchers', December 28.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Reinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.
City of Salisbury, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Danmark, E.A. Co., January 17.

Scandinavian and Baltic Ports.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.

Singapore.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), December 19.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., December 20.
Anhui, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.
Roseville, Bank Line, Dec. 22.
Alipore, P. & O., December 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Comorin, P. & O., December 26.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.
Kumsang, Jardine's, Dec. 27.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 28.
Toyama Maru N.Y.K., Dec. 28.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 29.
Ajax, B. & S., December 30.
Kotohira Maru, N.Y.K., December 30.
Chaksang, Jardine's, Dec. 31.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.
Atreus, B. & S., January 1.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 2.
Somali, P. & O., January 2.
Reinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., January 5.
Glenaffaric, Jardine's, January 6.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Benledi, Loxley's, January 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., January 11.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 13.
City of Salisbury, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.
Danmark, E.A. Co., January 17.

Southampton.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.

S. and E. African Ports
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 21.

Suez.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', December 26.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.
Reinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., January 16.

Tangier.
Rajputana, P. & O., January 9.

Triest and Venice.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 7.

IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio to-day:—

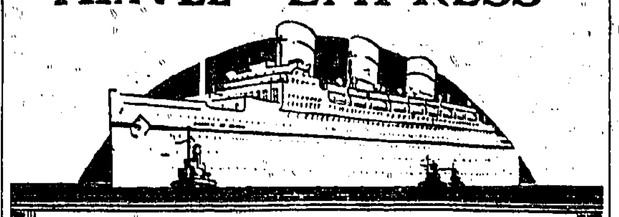
Asama Maru, Empress of Japan, Mayon, Toko Maru, Angelina, Kaitangata, Ieverkusen, Hai Heng, Antenor, Tsinan, Terukuni Maru.

CLEARANCES

DECEMBER 17

Szechuen, for Canton.
Tin Seng, for K.C. Wan.
Hoihow, for Canton.
Malacca Maru, for Singapore.
Sungshan Maru, for Canton.
Hin Sang, for Sandakan.
Kaying, for Canton.

TRAVEL "EMPRESS"



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ASAMA MARU	Wednesday,	6th Jan.
TAIYO MARU	Wednesday,	20th Jan.
CHICHIBU MARU	Wednesday,	3rd Feb.

SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.

HIYE MARU .. (Starts from Kobe)	Saturday,	26th Dec.
HEIAN MARU (Starts from Kobe)	Saturday,	23rd Jan.

NEW YORK via Panama.

† NOSHIRO MARU	Saturday,	2nd Jan.
† NAKO MARU	Wednesday,	13th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama

BOKUYO MARU ...	Wednesday,	10th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM

SUWA MARU (Calls Casablanca)	Saturday	19th Dec.
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday,	2nd Jan.
HAKOZAKI MARU ...	Saturday,	16th Jan.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, and Marseilles

† DURBAN MARU	Saturday	16th Jan.

HAMBURG via P. Sudan, Alexandria and Casablanca

ARIMA MARU ...	Saturday,	9th Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Ports.

ATSUTA MARU	Saturday,	26th Dec.
KITANO MARU	Saturday,	23rd Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

† TOYAMA MARU ..	Monday,	28th Dec.
† KOTOHIRA MARU	Wednesday,	30th Dec.
TANGO MARU	Monday	11th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

† NAGATO MARU	Tuesday,	29th Dec.
† TOBA MARU	Tuesday,	5th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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ARAMIS ...	19th Jan., 1937.	JEAN LABORDE	26th Jan., 1937.
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MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

To-Day's Arrivals

(BY T.S.M.)

S.S. "KUT SANG"

The S.S. "Kut Sang" of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Limited (Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents) arrives here to-day.

She comes from Calcutta, Straits and Saigon, and will sail for Kobe and Osaka (via Amoy) on Sunday, December 20 at 7.00 a.m.

Letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office up to 5.00 p.m. to-morrow.

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S.S. "SUWA MARU"

The S.S. "Suwa Maru" of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Line is due here to-day.

She comes from Japan, Shanghai and Europe (via Siberia), and will leave here for the Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe (via Marseilles—due Marseilles, January 17, 1937) to-morrow.

Registered articles and letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office and Kowloon Post Office up to 5.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. to-day.

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R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF ASIA"

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited is due here on Monday, December 21 at 5.00 p.m., and will berth alongside the Kowloon Wharf.

She comes from Manila, and will leave here for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe (via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., January 9, 1937) on Wednesday, December 23 at 8.00 a.m.

Parcels (for Canada only) will be received at the General Post Office up to 4 p.m., while registered articles and letters of destination will be received up to 5.00 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22.

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R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN"

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited arrived at Shanghai on Sunday, December 13 at noon, and left Shanghai on Monday, December 14 at 8.00 a.m.

She arrived at Kobe on Wednesday, December 16 at 6.00 a.m., and left Kobe for Yokohama on the same day at 4.00 p.m.

She will leave Yokohama for Honolulu, Victoria and Vancouver on Friday, December 18 at 1.00 a.m.

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R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF CANADA"

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited left Vancouver for Hong Kong (via Honolulu, Japan Ports and Shanghai) on Saturday, December 12.

She is due at Hong Kong on Friday morning, January 1 next, and will leave Hong Kong for Manila on the same day in the evening.

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R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF RUSSIA"

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited arrived at Vancouver on Saturday at 2.00 p.m., and will leave Vancouver on Friday morning, December 18.

She is due at Hong Kong on Thursday morning, January 7 next.

M.S. "TRAVE"

The M.S. "Trave" will arrive here on the 31st December, and will sail for Europe via Manila and ports on the same day instead of on the 28th instant.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

During the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday, the freight returns, received from the Harbour Office showed a fairly high tonnage movement, a large proportion of which being contributed by British ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 16,914 tons, with British steamers carrying 5,547 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 18,383 tons, of which 12,297 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 1,042, of which 863 were from British steamers.

There were altogether seventeen arrivals, of which nine were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 19 departures, six were British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:—

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	9	17,844
Dutch	1	2,137
Norwegian	1	2,500
Japanese	2	6,947
Chinese	4	5,869
Total	17	35,297

VESSELS DUE

(Continued from Page 14)

Pres. Garfield, Dollar's, Jan. 15.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Jan. 14.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar's, Dec. 18.
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, Jan. 4.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, Jan. 1.
Preussen, Jebsen's, December 30.
Pyrrhus, B. & S., Jan. 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., Jan. 8.
Ramses, Jebsen's, January 3.
Ranpura, P. & O., December 24.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Jan. 7.
Rheinland, Jebsen's, January 4.
Rio de Janeiro Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 20.
Roseville, Bank Line, December 20.
Sauerland, Jebsen's, January 8.
Seistan, Douglas', December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', Dec. 25.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 5.
Somali, P. & O., Jan. 1.
Sumatra Maru, O.S.K., Dec. 19.
Suisang, Jardine's, December 25.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., December 18.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 22.
Talthybius, B. & S., December 31.
Tarifa, Tharesin's, Dec. 31.
Teiresias, B. & S., December 28.
Teucer, B. & S., Jan. 29.
Tigre, Tharesin's, Dec. 27.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8.
Tjikembang, J.C.J. Line, December 19.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, December 23.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., December 20.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K. Dec. 27.
Trave, Melchers', December 31.

PASSENGERS

Empress Of Asia

The following passengers sailed for Manila on board the R.M.S. Empress of Canada on Wednesday, December 16 at 8.45 p.m.:—

Mr. F. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Agnew, Mr. R. Alunan, Dr. V. N. Atienza, Mr. C. I. Barr, Mr. J. M. Bayot, Mr. E. W. Benson, Mr. R. Beyda, Mr. P. P. Botelho, Mr. F. C. Brady, Miss A. Caffisch, Mrs. A. B. Campbell and two children, Mr. A. J. Campbell, Dr. N. Canijares, Miss A. M. Charlton, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cothran, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Crane, Mr. J. Cuyugan, Mrs. C. Cuyugan, Miss R. Cuyugan, Mr. F. Elizaga, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fernandez, Miss Pilar Goyena, Mr. S. Greilsammer, Mrs. Honisburg, Major H. J. Hutter, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Marcelo, Mrs. J. J. Martinez, Father C. Mateo, Mr. D. C. Miller, Mr. T. Morato, Major M. A. Murphy, Mr. S. Nakatsumi, Major and Mrs. M. Nieto, Mr. H. O. Odell, Mrs. D. M. Patterson, Miss D. Patterson, Miss Y. Pedroarena, Miss C. J. Pedroarena, Mrs. C. M. A. Pereira, Miss F. Pereira, Mr. E. Porter, Mr. P. C. Potts, H.E. President M. L. Quezon, Mr. G. Raguzini, Mrs. E. Raguzini, Miss Lily Raquiza, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Miss Olga Ribeiro, Hon. Mr. N. Roque, Mrs. M. R. del Rosario, Rev. Lee L. Rose, Hon. Mr. M. Roxas, Mrs. S. Sanchez, Mr. F. R. Schonbeck, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Stark, Mrs. M. C. Stewart, Mr. V. Supleo, Mrs. J. Sylvester and two children, Miss E. Volgt, Mr. Maurice Weill, Mrs. H. E. Yarnell, Mr. and Mrs. Jose Yulo.

ARRIVALS

DECEMBER 17

Klangsu, British str., 1,555 tons, Capt. J. Beck, from Bangkok via Swatow, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Rashim Maru, Japanese str., 3,316 tons, Capt. Y. Naganishi, from Sakito, buoy No. B27.—M.B.K.

Santhia, British str., 4,841 tons, Capt. W. H. Creese, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf.—M.M. & Co.

Holhow, British str., 1,629 tons, Capt. Thomas, from Tientsin via Swatow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Muncaster Castle, British str., 3,625 tons, Capt. Scobbie, from Wakamatsu, Taikoo Dock.—Dodwell & Co.

Szechuen, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. R. Nisbet, from Newchwang via Foochow, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Kiung Chow, British str., 1,545 tons, Capt. J. H. Hodgkiss, from Canton, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Ardent, Norwegian str., 1,101 tons, Capt. E. Kroger, from Bangkok, buoy No. B11.—Chiu Seng Hong.

Haraldsvang, Norwegian str., 1,865 tons, Capt. A. Snude, from Canton, Stonecutters.—K. Larsen & Co.

DECEMBER 16

Helikon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Lee, from Saigon, buoy No. B6.—Wo Fat Sing.

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S.S. "CITY OF BIRMINGHAM" ...	Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg....	15th March

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SIRDHANA	8,000	7th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
RAWALPINDI	17,000	8th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
SHIRALA	8,000	21st Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CORFU	14,500	22nd Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
*BHUTAN	6,000	23rd Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
*BEHAR	6,000	1st Feb.	do
TANDA	7,000	3rd Feb.	do
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SECOND TEST

England's Team Probables

Sydney, Dec. 17.

England's eleven players for the Second Test match against Australia which begins to-morrow will be selected from the following:—

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L. E. G. Ames (Kent)
C. J. Barnett (Gloucestershire)
A. Fagg (Kent)
L. B. Fishlock (Surrey)
W. R. Hammond (Gloucestershire)
J. Hardstaff (Notts)
M. Leyland (Yorkshire)
R. W. V. Robins (Middlesex)
J. M. Sims (Middlesex)
H. Verity (Yorkshire)
W. Voce (Notts)

The twelfth man has not yet been selected.—*Reuter.*

CONNECTION OF RAILWAYS PLANNED

Chinese Press Rumours

Nanking.

Responsible spokesmen at the Ministry of Railways here say that there is no plan just now to connect the Canton-Hankow Railway and the Canton-Kowloon line.

The present extension of the Kwangtung section of the Canton-Hankow line is to reach as far as Whampoa only.

The local Chinese press, however, pays paricular attention to the reports that two Hong Kong British firms have signed contracts with the Canton authorities for the improvement of the water works and the extension of the bus service.

New Warning On Recruiting

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Once that was achieved the recruiting problem for the Regular Army would be solved. They would no longer have difficulty in finding recruits.

We should not like to give up our liberty, which had cost our fathers so much, added the Minister, and we should not like to give up our voluntary system, which was the wonder of the whole world. If employers in this country would throw themselves wholeheartedly into the work the voluntary system could fail to be effective.

So far as the Territorial Army was concerned, Mr. Duff Cooper said that he had some good news. The recruiting figures were satisfactory. In the five months, April, May, June, July and August, recruiting, compared with the previous year, showed an increase of 60 per cent. In September the increase was 100 per cent. and in October 150 per cent. Although he had not received the November figures, he hoped they would be as satisfactory.

The Territorial Force was not merely an auxiliary, but an integral part of the Army. The whole responsibility would devolve upon the Territorials of defending our shores from the new and terrible warfare from the air. Such a responsibility had never before in history been placed upon the shoulders of a citizen volunteer force.

Through talk about disarmament in recent years the Territorial Army had been made to feel it was not wanted. They had got to get rid of that spirit and impress upon young men that they were as much a part of the defence as the Royal Navy itself.

MARTIAL LAW IN WUCHOW

According to delegates of the Kwangsi Pacification Commissioner, martial law has been proclaimed in Wuchow since December 14, by order of General Li Chung-jen, Pacification Commissioner of Kwangsi, and Chairman Huang Hsu-cho of the same province.

Passengers and customers of hotels in the city are being strictly searched.

Society For Protection Of Children

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HON. DR. KOTEWALL

Proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Hon. Mr. Kotewall said:—

It has been a matter of great gratification to all members of the Society that Your Excellency and Lady Caldecott have graciously consented to become our Patrons. (Applause). Lady Caldecott has further shown her practical interest in the Society by becoming President of the Women's Auxiliary—that invaluable organisation which has done so much for the poor children in Hong Kong, and to which the Society is indebted for more than a quarter of its total income last year.

In the year 1930-31—the first complete year of our working—333 new cases were dealt with, the number rose to 881 the next year, and has since been rising steadily until it now stands at about 1,600. Thus, during the last seven years the Society has been directly concerned with the welfare of over 11,700 children.

Anyone who has carefully studied the Balance Sheet must have been struck by the small proportion which the cost of administration bears to the total expenditure of the Society. It is no exaggeration to say that the work of the Society could not be carried on upon its present lines, if it were not for the free gift of personal service by the whole administrative staff. From the beginning the Society has steadfastly set its face against a paid administrative personnel. It believes that for work of such vital importance to the community, volunteer workers will always be forthcoming; and it feels that every possible dollar of the money entrusted to it should go towards the relief of those whom the Society stands charged to protect.

WORKERS THANKED

Where all so generously give their labour, it is perhaps invidious to attempt discrimination, but common justice calls for special mention of the splendid services rendered by Mr. F. H. Loseby as Honorary Director, by Mr. A. McKeller as Honorary Treasurer, and by Mrs. P. E. Barker as Honorary General Secretary. With our gratitude to Mr. Loseby must unhappily be coupled our regret that pressure of business has compelled his relinquishment of office. Fortunately for the Society Mr. G. P. de Martin, who has wide experience as a member and past Chairman of the Executive Committee, has consented to act as Honorary Director.

It will readily be appreciated that any increase in the number of cases dealt with by the Society involves a commensurate increase in calls upon its funds. It is therefore particularly gratifying to find that, despite an increase of 400 in the number of new cases dealt with during the year, the Society's income has, for the first time for several years, exceeded its expenditure. The excess is only a matter of $12, but it is a refreshing change not to have to carry forward a deficit; and the fact that a substantially increased income has been forthcoming to meet our increased expenditure shows that the community has awakened to the urgent needs of the children of the poor.

SOCIETY'S FUTURE

I must remind you, and the community at large, that as the Society is dependent on voluntary contributions for three-quarters of its revenue, its future lies in the hands of the public. Each succeeding year has served more clearly to show how dire is the poverty which the Society seeks to alleviate, and how urgent is the need for financial help. It is unthinkable that the people of this Colony will allow the Society's work to be halted or curtailed, for lack of funds; it is unthinkable, too, that our community should be deaf to the appeal of an organisation which does but voice a cry for help from those who cannot help themselves—the children of the poorest of our poor.

TWO NEEDS

There are two needs which have become increasingly apparent during the past year. They are the need for a home for blind boys, and a home for crippled children.

The Colony is fortunate in having three institutions which care for blind girls; but there is none for blind boys or for crippled children. By special arrangement the Society has recently been able to place two little blind boys in the Aw Par Hospital at Cheung Chau, but that institution cannot take in more, and there is no place to which any blind boys can be sent in the future. Unless blind boys and crippled children can be placed in institutions one result is inevitable. They will fall into the hands of unprincipled people who will exploit their infirmities for the purpose of begging—a fate from which it is our duty to save them.

His Excellency and the President has referred to Mr. Hazlerigg's great services to the Society. As one who has been closely associated with Mr. Hazlerigg from the very beginning in what he has made his lifework, I can endorse every word that Sir Andrew Caldecott and Sir Shou-son Chow has said about him. His going will be an irreparable loss to us; but fortunately he has laid a firm foundation, and has erected on it an edifice which, unlike material structures, can rise and expand without limit, if those who come after him will profit by his work and example. (Applause).

GIFT OF HOUSE AT CHEUNG CHAU

Seconding the motion for the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, Mr. de Martin said that he had just been asked to announce that the Governor-in-Council had consented to the gift of a house at Cheung Chau as a home for destitute, blind or crippled Chinese children. The donor wished for the moment to remain anonymous.

Mr. de Martin said that he recently spent some months of this summer in England and Germany and could not find instances of child misery. His observations, admittedly were casual but the fact remained how far one had to walk about the streets of Hong Kong to see juvenile instances of disease, wretchedness and malnutrition.

He would like to stress to the generous donors of the Society that there was such a thing as Hong Kong citizenship.

He mentioned that in the Press from time to time there appeared a list of contributors to the Society. Practically the same names kept recurring and he would like to see more sums coming in from younger people.

Mr. de Martin paid tribute to what Lady Southorn had done for the Society.

In conclusion, Mr. de Martin remarked that the claims of children on the Society was not sporadic but persistent. Efficiency was not enough; there must be an adequate scale

MR. F. H. LOSEBY

Mr. F. H. Loseby (Hon. Director) said:—I rise to support the motion for the adoption of the Report and Accounts for the year and, as Honorary Director, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking Dr. Kotewall, Mrs. Barker and the Branch Honorary Secretaries for the assistance they have given me during the year.

Dr. Kotewall has taken a keen interest in the many difficult problems which have arisen and his wisdom and experience have been of invaluable assistance. (Applause). Mrs. Barker and the Branch Honorary Secretaries, Mr. Kwok, Mr. Baines and Mr. Skinner, have between them done the greater part of a heavy year's work. (Applause).

THE PRESENTATION

Making the presentation of a gift in the form of a bound volume of the annual reports of the Society, to Mr. Hazlerigg, H. E. the Governor said that he considered it was one of the highest honours he had had in his life to make the presentation on behalf of the Society.

Mr. Hazlerigg suitably replied and paid tribute to all the officers of the Society for their work and said that he owed a tremendous debt to the Society's inspectors.

Sir Henry Pollock moved that the President, Vice Presidents, General Committee, Executive Committee, Director, Treasurers, Secretary, and Branch Secretaries named in the Report be re-elected, the names of Officers designate there shown being substituted for the names of Officers relinquishing offices, and the names of Sir Atholl MacGregor, Mr. J. M. Noronha and Mr. Chan Heung Pak being added to the Executive Committee.

Hon. Dr. Tso seconded.

Sir Shou-son Chow, on behalf of the General and Executive Committees, moved that Sir William Peel, Lady Southorn and Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg be elected Vice-Presidents of the Society.

Dr. Kotewall seconded.

Mr. A. McKellar proposed a vote of thanks to the Hon. Auditors (Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming).

Mr. Tang Shiu Kin seconded.

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Java and Manila ...	*Asama Maru* ...	19th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 25th Nov mber)	*Tjisadane* ..	20th Dec.
Shanghai and Amoy ...	*Tai Yuan* ..	20th Dec.
Shanghai and Amoy ...	*Tokushima Maru*	20th Dec.
Straits ...	*Kitano Maru*	20th Dec.
Australia and Manila ...	*Rio de Janeiro Maru*	20th Dec.
Japan ...		
Straits, Manila and London Parcels—London, 12th November ...	*Menesthens* ...	20th Dec.
Manila ...	*Empr. of Asia* ..	21st Dec.
Haiphong ...	*Canton*	21st Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date, 12th December.	**R.M.A. Dorado**	22nd Dec.
Calcutta, Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers only) London, 19th November ...	*Talma*	22nd Dec.
Java ...	*Tjinegara* ..	23rd Dec.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 26th Nov. and London Parcels—London, 19th Nov.	*Ranpura* ..	24th Dec
Haiphong ...	*G.G. Paul Doumer*	25th Dec.
Saigon ...	*Tasman* ..	25th Dec.
Straits ...	*Bangalore*	25th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai ...	*Comoria* ...	25th Dec.
Calcutta and Straits ...	*Suisana* ...	25th Dec.
Shanghai ...	*Scharnhorst* ...	25th Dec.
Straits ...	*Tsushima Maru*	25th Dec.
Japan ...	*Atsuta Maru* ..	26th Dec.
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Bangkok via Hoihow	*Michael Jebsen* ...	10.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	*Haiyang* ...	2.00 P M
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ...	*Kiangsang* ...	2.00 P M
Formosa...	*Taiping* ...	3.00 P M
Straits, Sandakan Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 17th January	*Suwa Maru* ...	*G.P.O. & K.P.O.* Reg. 5.00 P M Letters 6.00 P M
SATURDAY		Saturday, 19th,
Manila	*Muncaster Castle*	10.00 A M
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 31st Dec.	**Santhia ...**	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.30 A M Let 10.00 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Santhia...* ...	Parcels 9.30 A M Letters 10.30 A M
Air Mail for Canton and Districts.	*C.N.A.C. plane*	*G.P.O. & K.P.O.* Reg. Noon
Amoy	*Kaying*	Let. 12.30 P M
Foochow	*Szechuen*	3.30 P M
Amoy	*Kutsang*	3.30 P M
		5.00 P M
		Kowloon P.O.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai).	*C.N.A.C. plane*	Reg. 19th, 5.00 P M Let. 19th, 5.30 P M *Shamshuipo P.O.* Reg. 19th, 5.00 P M Let. 19th, 7.00 P M *G.P.O.* Reg. 19th, 5.00 P M Let. 20th, 5.00 A M
SUNDAY		Sunday, 20th,
Manila	*Silveryew*	9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	*Hong Kong Maru*	9.00 A M
Japan	*Kitano Maru*	9.00 A M
MONDAY		Monday, 21st,
Swatow and Amoy ...	*Anhui*	12.20 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	*Rio de Janeiro Maru*	2.30 P M
Shanghai and *EUROPE via Siberia ...	*Menesthens*	2.30 P M
Letters for Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A., by "Pan-American Airways Service" — due San Francisco, 29th December.	**Tjisadane**	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 21st, 5.00 P M Let. 22nd, 8.30 A M
TUESDAY		Tuesday, 22nd,
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya ...	*Tjisadane* ...	8.30 A M
Bangkok via Swatow	*Kiangsu* ...	10.30 A M
Haiphong	*Canton* ...	2.00 P M

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